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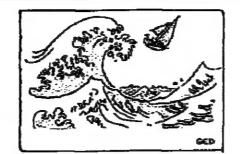
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Mellor resigns as Major struggles in Commons

By Nicholas Wood, Political Correspondent

DAVID Mellor resigned as heritage secretary last night, blaming his departure from the cabinet on a "constant barrage of stories about me in certain tabloid newspapers".
On a day when John Major

faced his toughest Commons test so far in the emergency debate on the economy, the prime minister had to interrupt his preparations repeat-edly to consult his wounded friend and cabinet colleague. Mr Major accepted Mr

Mellor's resignation "with deep regret", adding that he had admired the courage with which his embattled minister had handled the difficult circumstances of recent weeks. In his discussions with the prime minister. Mr Mellor told him that he was resigning because he recognised he had become a "burden" to him and his

An announcement about his replacement was not expected last night. Ministers mentioned by MPs as possible successors included Stephen Dorrell, a junior Treasury minister, Tristan Garel-Jones, a junior foreign office minister, and John Redwood, the local government minister. Bryan Gould, shadow heri-

tage secretary, said that Mr Mellor had performed one last service to the prime minister by timing his announcement to deflect attention from the Commons debate on the economy. Downing Street said that the prime minister had played no part in the timing of M: Mellor's resignation.

The minister's decision widely expected at Westminster, ended two months of intense media speculation about his future triggered by the disclosure in July of his affair with Antonia de Sancha. an actress. The pressure on Mr Mellor intensified with a series of newspaper allega-tions questioning his social and business connections.

The turning point was the inconclusive outcome of the libel action against The People brought by Mona Bauwens,

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Surrey have been given a £1,000 suspended fine by the Test and County Crick-

et Board for tampering with the ball in three matchesPage 36 the daughter of a PLO official. over a story about Mr Mellor's family holiday in Spain two years ago paid for by Mrs The announcement that Mr

Mellor was stepping down ended 24 hours of high drama at Westminster. On Wednes-day night, he gave a series of spirited television interviews in which he argued that the fundamental question was whether the prime minister or the editors of tabloid newspapers would decide his future.

But yesterday morning he made a lengthy telephone call to Mr Major saying that he was planning to resign. The



men met at about 10.15am, just before yesterday's cabinet meeting. Mr Major told his beleaguered minister and close friend that he was reluctant to accept his

They met again in the prime minister's room in the Commons at about 4pm and Mr Mellor told Mr Major that he had decided to go. He handed over his letter of resignation and Mr Major drafted his

Tabloid editors last night rejected Mr Mellor's claim that he had been hounded out of office. Bill Hagerty, editor of The People, said the resigna-

tion was not a victory for tabloid newspapers. "This is the first time in ages that David Mellor has done the decent thing. I don't regard this as a victory. We published the details of his affair with Antonia de Sancha because I felt it was in the public interest." Chris Davis, assistant editor of The Sun, said: "I am saddened that it has taken so long. A man in public office should realise that the public expect him to have more judgment."

Mr Mellor will make a statement to the Commons this morning explaining his

decision to step down.

Kenneth Clarke, home secretary, said: "David Mellor was an extremely able colleague. He got himself into these problems. He's come to a very unfortunate end."

It became clear early yester. It became clear early yester-

day that the executive of the backbench Tory 1922 committee was likely to recommend his departure later in the day. In the event, the announcement was made before the "men in grey suits" passed their verdict. Mr Mellor also met Sir

Norman Fowler, the Tory party chairman, and Richard Ryder, the chief whip, before handing his resignation to the prime minister. Friends of the national heritage secretary in-dicated last night that while the prime minister and Sir Norman had urged him to stay on, Mr Ryder had said that he might have

Most Tory MPs will sympathise with Mr Mellor's plight but accept that in the end, after renewed allegations that he had accepted free holidays, his position had become untena-Continued on page 18, col 8

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Dear prime minister, with great regret...

DAVID Mellor's letter to the prime minister made clear he was resigning under pressure from tabloid newspapers.

cies were announced by Ford and Rolls-Royce, who told unions they had been forced into the cuts because of the recession. He wrote: "I have concluded that it is too much to expect of my colleagues in government and in Parliament to have to put up with a constant barrage of stories about me in certain tabloid newspapers. Rather than have this turn into a trial of strength between the government and some sections of the press about my future, I have decided to resolve it myself by resigning. I also have to bear in mind the interests of my wife and family who have been such a wonderful support to me during this trying period for all of us.

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From the Secretary of State for National Heritage THE RT. HON. DAVID MELLOR QC MP Des have Muster,

As you know, I decided this morning that I should resign. I am deeply touched by your reluctance to let me do so, but I feel sure this is the right thing to do.

that you and colleagues concluded in July plations of an affair Signing off: the resignation letter from David Mellor to the prime minister

"I leave with great regret . . . It has been a special privilege to serve under you in the cabinet as chief secretary and as the first secretary of state for

national Heritage. It is an

opportunity given to few to

lead in the creation of a new department of state, especially one which has so much to contribute to your own vision of improving the quality of life in this country. I would have government. As you know,

more to turn that vision into

Mr Major's reply read: "I was very sorry when you told me this morning of your decision to resign from the

you have always had my warm personal support, and I accepted your decision with deep regret. I admire the courage with which you have handled difficult circumstances in re-

cent weeks. "You have been a valued member of my cabinet, both as secretary of state for national heritage and before that as chief secretary. Your knowledge, experience and insight has been invaluable in getting the new department of national Heritage off to a swift and successful start ... I will continue to value your friendship and your continued support in the House of Commons. My very best wish-es to you and to Judith, who has provided such marvellous support through all this."

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IF THERE were 600 MPs for whom yesterday's crisis debate was important, there were two for whom it was everything. One waited on the forward benches of the government side. From the front of Labour's ranks, the other faced him. Soon would come the moment upon which the fame of each must ride. Ahead lay a parliamentary performance which could confirm, or wreck, the reputation of either.

Both were tense and excited. Each knew that all eyes would shortly turn his way, each knew what his party required of him, what the press hoped for, what the nation expected.

Neither can have slept on Wednesday night. Both had spent the past week praying for the inspiration, the wit. the turn of phrase to cope with whatever the historic debate might throw at him. How cruel is the burden that our ancient parliamentary system can at a critical moment place upon MPs waited expectantly for the Battle of the Titans. Matthew Parris witnessed the clash

just one, perhaps two, pairs of shoulders.

Still, they wore it well, Sir Edward Heath and Dennis Skinner. Ted a little paler, perhaps, than usual; Skinner's tension apparent only from slight tightening of that famous Bolsover jaw. Ted knew that, with That Woman finally out of his hair and at large in Tuscon. Arizona, there was none on the Tory benches to challenge his claim to supreme elder statesmanship. Sir Edward would speak for History. With the government's policies in shreds and Europe tottering, that was a tall order. Dennis

CAROL LEONARD ment shared responsibility NW11.

knew that, with Frank Haynes gone from the parliamentary Labour party, he was now the undisputed House comedian. Skinner was Mr Heckler as surely as Betty Boothroyd is Madam Speaker: By appointment to the Brit-ish constitution, Joker-in-Waiting. With John Major on the wobble and David Mellor on the slide, that was a

What would they both make of their moment? First we had to sit through routine speeches from two party hacks: the prime minister and the leader of the Opposition. First Mr Major. "Resign!" the benches opposite shouted. The PM apparently has been studying old tapes of Enoch Powell speeches over the summer and ground out his own in a stentorian monotone, new-gravelled. Plainly in trouble, he went at it like a bull at a gate, shouting louder as he ploughed in deeper...

"Motion number two," cried Madam Speaker, "United Kingdom economic policy." — "Ha, ha!" they roared, and Skinner, warming up, cried: "Where's Mellor?" ... There could only have been one

response," Major said. — "Resign!"
they shouted. "Did Mellor write this!" shouted Skinner.

Eventually, speech over, the PM sat down to a feeble flap of order papers from his own side and continued shouts of "Resign!" from the other. His had been an unhappy speech, but not disastrous.

Smith rose. Scornfully stylish, and sharper than his predecessor. His was a successful speech, but not devastating. Smith may have few better chances to flatten his opponent. Major emerged staggering, but

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Smith dazzles in exposing **Tory U-turn**

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

JOHN Major yesterday realfirmed his intention to keep Britain at the heart of the European Community as he took on the Euro-sceptics in his party with a defiant decla-ration of his determination to

go ahead with ratification of the Maastricht treaty. But his defence of the chaot-ic devaluation of sterling last week was overshadowed by a dazzling performance by John Smith in his first Commons speech as Labour leader.

Even serior Tories were forced to admit that Mr Smith had scored a triumph with a witty and incisive exposition of the government's U-turn when it took sterling out of the exchange-rate mechanism. Mr Smith branded Mr

Major as a "devalued prime minister of a devalued government" in a speech that gave Labour MPs their biggest boost since the general election.

Mr Major bought more time for himself by setting a new condition on bringing the bill back to the Commons, disclosing that it would not proceed until there is a new system for curbing the powers of the European Commission. That means there is no pros-pect of the bill returning until next year.

In remarks that pleased the sceptics, Mr Major also confirmed that there could be no question of an early return to the ERM until fundamental reforms have been carried out.

Mr Major was speaking in the special Commons debate on the economy after a cabinet meeting in which the pro-European majority is understood to have issued warnings about the dangers of turning against the EC in the wake of the turmoil last week.

Mr Major was put under pressure by Mr Smith and a cool response by his own backbenchers. But he pleased many cabinet colleagues with the tone of his restatement on

his Europeanism. It was in Britain's interests to play a leading role in the development of the EC by helping to determine the direction of policy, he said. It would not be proper for a British prime minister to agree a treaty and then disown it.

Mr Major, facing his most severe test since he became Tory leader, was felt by Conservative MPs last night to have done as much as he could to hold his party together.

Chancellor Kohl moved swiftly to deny reports that he and President Mitterrand have agreed in Paris to form a five-nation "mini-Europe" inside the EC. as German intervention helped to steady the franc...... Page 18

Senior ministers are understood to have told the cabinet that any sign of weakening in Mr Major's support for the principles of Maastricht would lead to a party split. One cabinet minister said yesterday that a reversal of the government's moderately pro-European policy would pro-voke a schism that could bring it down.

One leading doubter said that Mr Major had been deliberately "cyeballing" his critics. Euro-sceptic ministers appeared satisfied last night with Mr Major's formula on the ERM because it left open might not return. "I do not see that we could readily return to the mechanism without dealing with the problems that have been thrown up." he said. There would be a pro-Continued on page 18, col 3

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Car factory redundancies signal slide into deeper industrial trouble

Rolls-Royce and Ford to cut 2,500 jobs

By KEVIN EASON, MOTORING CORRESPONDENT

nounced yesterday that they were to cut a total of 2,500 jobs, a day after British Aerospace, Britain's leading export manufacturer, said that it was cutting its workforce by 3,000. The job losses at Ford and

Rolls-Royce were seen as further evidence that the motor industry, Britain's biggest manufacturing sector, em-ploying about 250,000 people, is spiralling into depression. Ford had told workers earlier this week that its two main British production plants, at Halewood, Merseyside, and Dagenham, east London, would be on shorttime work for the second successive month.

Executives were already moving to reduce the workforce as it became increasingly clear that there is little chance of a revival in new next year. A total of 1,350 jobs will go at Halewood and Dagenham, with a further 137 in other areas.

Unions have the chance to reduce the number of compul-sory redundacies if workers

Crewe suffers a 'big blow'

BY RONALD FAUX

THE loss of almost 1,000 jobs at the Rolls Royce plant in Crewe was described yesterday as a devastating blow for the town.

Civic leaders will hold talks with Neil Hamilton, junior trade to demand assisted status for Crewe and Nantwich, where unemployment has doubled since 1990. Peter Kent. leader of Crewe local authority, said the town ranked high among the blackspots of the North West.

Ken Woolley, district organiser for the Amalgamated Electrical and Engineering Union, said Crewe could become a ghost town as engineering and manu-facturing industries were destroyed. Tony Flood, senior union representative at Pyms Lane, said it was the sixth round of redundancies since 1991 and no one could be sure it would be the last.

FORD and Rolls-Royce an- take a deferment of their 5 per cent pay award, the lowest for ten years, which is due for payment in November. It is an alternative the unions are unlikely to recommend.

Ian McAllister, chairman of Ford of Britain, said that the cuts were a painful but inevitable consequence of economic

difficulties. Rolls-Royce is reducing its workforce by 950, about a third of the workforce at its factory in Crewe, Cheshire. The factory may make as few as 1,500 cars this year, com-pared with a peak of 3,300. The company needs to make almost 2,000 cars a year to break even.

Peter Ward, Rolls-Royce's chairman and chief executive. said: "With no sign of any recovery we must take this action now to protect remaining jobs. These changes will give us an opportunity of returning the company to profitability, which is essential for our future. The reshaped business will be smaller but will be in a very good position to take advantage of opportu-nities for growth as prospects

improve."
Rolls-Royce has cut its workforce from more than 5.000 in the past three years. Ford had announced it would shed 2,100 jobs this year before the latest cuts. It has reduced its workforce from 70,000 in 1982 to 37,000. Jaguar announced last week it was making 120 workers redundant, the latest in a batch of about 3,000 job losses.

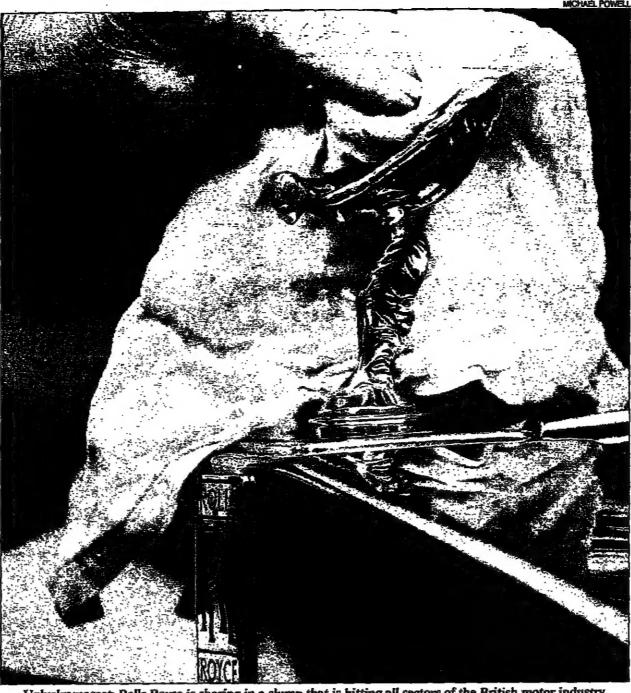
Union leaders said that the latest round of redundancies was further evidence that Britain's manufacturing base was being wiped out by the recession. Jim Thomas, national officer of the Manufacturing Science and Finance union, called for urgent government action. He said: "We could be sowing the seeds of manufacturing disaster."

Jack Adams, chief Ford negotiator for the Transport and General Workers' Union, said that Ford had achieved increased efficiency over the past five years and its workers deserved to be treated better.

Mr McAllister said that Ford's factories were manned to meet peak sales, not the present depressed market. Staff laid off at Halewood and Dagenham were receiving full pay, a burden that the company could not carry.
"Workers have made great

strides in achieving quality and efficiency targets. However, these efforts cannot overcome the basic weakness in demand caused by prevailing economic conditions.

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Unlucky mascot: Rolls-Royce is sharing in a slump that is hitting all sectors of the British motor industry

Absent buyers leave gap that productivity gains cannot fill

THE redundancies at Ford and Rolls-Royce, taken in isolation, could be seen as merely the further slimming down of companies trying to increase productivity in an increasingly competitive world (Kevin Eason and Patricia

However, the cuts are part of the retreat from manufacturing that has been forced by three years of the deepest recession since before the second world war.

Among car makers, this recession has been deep and wounding. Unlike the trau-mas of the 1973 oil crisis and the shake-out of the early eighties, which virtually halved the workforce in the motor industry, car manufac-turers should have been efficient enough to withstand further buffeting, with some factories as productive as those

Yet the slump in UK sales has been so deep that those big productivity gains may not protect plants and jobs unless buyers are brought back to showrooms quickly.

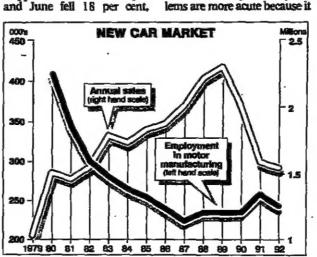
This week's one point cut in interest rates was too late for Ford and will probably have no effect on Rolls-Royce. which operates in a rarified

strata in which buyers have the money but no will to spend. The home market has contracted rapidly, to sales that may be as low as 1.5 million this year, from the 1989 peak of 2.3 million. That means orders worth about £7 billion have been taken out of the

A big switch to exports has not been sustained as continental markets also veer towards recession and the motor of German reunification runs down. The number of cars shipped abroad between April leading to a decline in the first half of the year of 11 per cent over the first half of last year. As exports shrink, car makers have found no domestic market to retreat to. The Society of Motor Man-

ufacturers and Traders is on record as saying that 28.500 jobs in manufacturing and dealerships were lost in the ear to mid-1991 and another 30,000 would go by the middle of this year. The prediction seems to have been fulfilled.

For Rolls-Royce, the problems are more acute because it



cars to buyers who are sensitive to the state of the economy, with about nine in ten cars

going to company buyers.

One analyst said: "No company chairman will want to be seen in a new Rolls-Royce when he is preaching the virtues of thrift and implementing cutbacks."

For companies that relied on the extravagant purchase there has been no mercy. Jensen called in the receivers: Reliant, which was making sports cars, had to be sold and Louis scrapped manufacture of its little Elan model.

Ford has found that the bigger the car company, the harder it falls. It once accounted for almost a third of the market, but its share has fallen to about 23 per cent, alongside the total fall in domestic sales. Unlike its competitors, however. Ford was not, until recently, a big exporter of complete cars from the UK.

Halewood was geared up to make 1,100 Escort and Orion cars a day with all its capacity for British sales. By the time Ford had completed an export programme at the plant at the start of this year. European markets were already

NEWS IN BRIEF

Patients offered new Down's test

Up to 20,000 pregnant women are to be offered a simple, pain-free new test for Down's syndrome that is likely greatly to reduce the number of seriously handicapped babies born. Kypros Nicolaides, professor of foetal medicine at King's College Hospital, London, who pioneered the new ultrasound test, is writing to all GPs to offer their patients the test at King's.

Professor Nicolaides said that, for many women, this strenging usuald replace numbers and tests involving

screening would replace unpleasant tests involving introduction of a needle to the womb. "It will mean that these invasive tests - amniocentesis and chorionic villus sampling (CVS)) — can now be reserved for those at the very highest risk of having an affected baby." The new test carried no risk of miscarriage, he said.

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Briton's appeal delayed

A British charity worker sentenced to six years in jail in The Gambia will have to wait a further two months for his appeal to be heard. Phil McLean. 39, was found guilty in July of stealing two diamonds, worth nearly £250.000, from Patch Bowaro, a tribal warlord. He was released on £6,000 bail, raised by friends, pending his appeal. McLean, of Weymouth, Dorset, maintains he was tricked into carrying back to Britain for valuation two stones which turned out to be topaz worth only £300.

Wider M25 backed

Millions of cars will have to be banned from the M25 if the government drops plans to widen it, the British Road Federation said yesterday. In a report praising the M25 for reducing traffic in central London, the federation said that unless it was widened the motorway would have to be restricted to use by long-distance traffic only. Richard Diment, the federation director, predicted an "environmental disaster" if thousands of local objectors blocked plans to make the M25 14 lanes on some sections.

Sex attack nurse jailed

A male nurse who tried to rape a woman colleague while on night duty was jailed for four years by the Central Criminal Court yesterday. Reshad Hosnee, 26. of Mitcham, south London, attacked the 43-year-old woman as she lay in bed at an old people's home in Streatham, southeast London, on May 5 last year. Judge Henry Pownall, QC, told him: "It is lucky for you, and no thanks to you, that the full offence of rape was not committed. It only wasn't, I suspect, because she fought you off."

999 delay condemned

A coroner demanded an enquiry yesterday into why it took 16 minutes for a 999 call to be connected to the ambulance service. Sir Montague Levine recorded a verdict of death by natural causes on Daniel Gabriel-Dowouna, 44, of Sydenham, southeast London, who weighed 25 stone and suffered a heart attack. The Southwark inquest was told ambulance arrived at his home. Sir Montague said that the delay was inexcusable.

Jeweller charged

a jeweller, who shot two burgiars when they broke into his Hertfordshire home in May, has been charged with five firearm offences including unlawful possession of a revolver. Two men are on remand following the incident and a third is in hospital. Mr Hammond, 44, will appear at Stevenage magistrate's court on October 22.



Tip-off cuts jail term

A raider had five years cut from his jail term yesterday after telling police of a suspected IRA murder plan. Belfast Crown Court was told that Louis Maguire. 27, of Belfast. had spied for the RUC and had told the force of an IRA file on a policeman, allowing police to move the officer from his home before an expected murder attempt. Judge Frank Russell told Maguire, convicted of thirteen robberies and three burglaries, that he would have faced 18 years in jail instead of 13, but for helping to save a policeman's life.

IRA bombs court cases laboratory

BY RICHARD FORD

THE fight against terrorism was severely disrupted and 700 homes within a half mile radius were damaged when a 2,000lb IRA bomb exploded outside the headquarters of the Northern Ireland Forensic Science Laboratory in Newtonbreda, south Belfast.

The attack on Wednesday night against a key centre in the struggle to secure convictions against paramilitary offenders also injured 23 people, none seriously. It was one of the biggest blasts in the province in recent years.

The bomb, planted in a van hijacked in south Armagh three weeks ago, was left on a dual carriageway outside the laboratory and is estimated to have caused damage costing £20 million.

It exploded 40 minutes after a telephone warning, while police were still evacuating the area. The blast, which was heard all over the city, cut power lines and telephone services and shredded the front of the laboratory, bringing down roofs and shattering windows. Two schools have been closed indefinitely for repairs and pupils have been

told to stay at home. Emergency teams spent all night in a huge boarding-up operation to weatherproof the houses and said they had never seen such widespread destruction. Social workers,



services staff and assessors from compensation agencies who set up a special inquiry office were amazed by the degree of destruction.

Stores in the heavily guarded complex housed crucial both prosecution and defence evidence and the blast threatens to cause lengthy delays to court hearings. Noel Spence is a scientist at the laboratory, which dealt with 5.071 cases involving 31,917 items in 1991, including key evidence in terrorist cases. He said:

Vital information may be lost for future cases". ☐ A 50-year-old Roman Catholic workman was shot dead by gunmen as he worked at a

house on the Loyalist Ballybeen estate at Dundonald on the outskirts of Belfast yesterday.

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Minister of fun's antics failed to amuse the Tory back benches DAVID Mellor had to go in the end because he had exhausted the patience of his colleagues. It was clear when Tory MPs gathered at the Commons yesterday for the special economic debate that he could no longer remain: the seemingly everlasting revelations about his private life had made him too much of an embarrassment to the government and to the party. As Mr Mellor said in his resignation

> Parliament to have to put up with a constant barrage of stories about me in certain tabloid newspapers." The main regret of many Tory
> MPs is not just their personal
> sympathy with Mr Mellor but
> their strong dislike of giving an
> apparent victory to the editors of
> the tabloid papers.

letter: "It is too much to expect of

colleagues in government and in

Like many previous resigna-tions, the Mellor saga has been a cumulative process. After the first revelation, there is a rallying round in support of the minister concerned. It is only after subsequent disclosures that his or her position becomes steadily precari-ous and, for all the desire of a prime minister to keep an errant colleague, the weight of backbench hostility means that he has to

resign.

That happened with Sir Leon
Brittan during the Westland affair in 1986. The turning point was when speakers at the weekly meeting of the Tory backbench 1922 committee turned against Sir Leon. He was out within a day.

The same happened with the departure of Edwina Currie over the salmonella and eggs affair in 1988. She was too much of an embarassment to be retained. The immediate trigger for Mr Mellor's departure as national heritage secretary was a similar verdict

from senior Tory backbenchers.

The initial reaction in the party to the newspaper disclosures more than two months ago about. Mr Mellor's affair with Antonia de Sancha was that it was not a matter for resignation. John Major, an old friend and a fellow Chelsea supporter, stood strongly behind him. Senior Tories argued that the editors of the tackier tabloids could not be allowed to

purely personal matter. Their fear was that, if the tabloids claimed Mr Mellor's scalp, no one would be safe from their scrutiny.

Nonetheless, senior ministers were irritated by Mr Mellor's behaviour after the reports about the affair. They felt that he had behaved insensitively and had

been less than frank. So Mr Mellor had little goodwill left when darnaging disclosures were made during the libel case brought against *The People* by Mona Banwens, an old friend of Mr Mellor and his wife. She is the daughter of a senior financial official of the Palestine Liberation

Organisation.

The most serious revelations were that he had accepted generous hospitality from Mrs Bauwens, notably a holiday in Marbella in August 1990, at the outbreak of the Gulf crisis, amin cost to himself or his family. Downing Street said that Mr Major accepted Mr Mellor's judgment that he was not under any obligation to report the gift because he did not believe he was

THEFALL

David Mellor had to go when he became an embarrassment to his party, says Peter Riddell

an Gould, Labour's shadow heritage spokesman, questioned the propriety of Mr Mellor's acceptance of such hospitality.

Even if the paid holiday was

within the rules of ministerial conduct. many Tory MPs argued that Mr Mellor's decision to accept such a generous gift cast serious doubt on his judgment. These questions were underlined by the further revelation that Elliott Bernerd, a property developer and investor, had lent Mr Mellor his flat in Mayfair, where he had met Miss de Sancha, and had also loaned him a chauffeur-driven Mercedes during and after the last

general election. There is no suggestion that anything was wrong in this relationship but it added to the impression that Mr Mellor had been too willing to accept the hospitality and generosity of others.

Mr Mellor has also had to overcome the suspicions and, in part, jeakousy of many Tory MPs. He has never been widely popular at Westminster. His rise was too fast: joining the government as a junior minister at the age of 32, just over two years after being elected an MP in May 1979.

His style has irritated conformist MPs who have regarded him as too bumptious, too tactless, too keen on personal publicity and perhaps rather too dilettante for a Tory minister. He has seldom been able to resist a sharp remark. often annoying his own side as well as the opposition. It landed him in an international fracas when he ticked off an Israeli colonel on television about treat-ment of the Palestinians in the

To his friends, his enthusiasms have been endearing evidence that

he is not stuffy. He is a much more open politician than many found at Westminster and is regarded as receptive to outside bodies. There will, for instance, be dismay in Broadcasting House at his departure, since senior BBC executives felt that he had taken the trouble to understand the issues facing the corporation and was not motivated by the anti-BBC bias common

among Tory backbench MPs.
His flair for seeking, and obtaining, publicity, while irritating some, was also useful to the government when he highlighted the dangers of Aids and went to Pakistan and South America to focus on drug barons.

After his first rapid promotion. his rise was more gradual. He proved himself to be an indispensable under-secretary and minister of state, aggressive when necessary and assiduous in committee in guiding through legislation, notably the contentious broadcasting bill in 1989-90.

He served successively in the energy department, the Home Office, the Foreign Office, the Office again, and as arts minister under Margaret Thatcher. His relations with her were never close and there were public differences over, for instance, the awarding of the ITV franchises. He did not disguise his feelings about the poll tax and her style of government.

He might never have been promoted to the cabinet but for the arrival at No 10 of Mr Major. He became chief secretary to the Treasury, where he was regarded by officials as smart and adept. if not particularly hard-working. After the election he was offered to chance to set up the heritage dep-artment in the face of widespread scepticism in Whitehall. He never entirely overcame the jibe that it

was the Ministry of Fun. Mr Mellor stumbled and fell because he stretched his luck and offended the conformists once too often. He will be missed by many. more outside the Commons chamber than inside, because he did not always behave like an identity-kit politician. He had considerable strengths and freshness. The flaws which brought about his downfall were part of his charm.

The telephone call that sealed the minister's fate

By Sheila Gunn AND NICHOLAS WOOD

DAVID Mellor received a private telephone call yester-day morning which, he knew, sealed his fate. His caller was Sir Marcus Fox, chairman of the Tory backbench 1922

From sources close to the committee, the gist of Sir Marcus's advice appears to have been that, with regret, he believed Mr Mellor had become an embarrassment to John Major. After his resignation Sir Marcus said he per-sonally believed Mr Mellor was right to resign and he predicted that he was young and able enough to return to

government one day.
"I am expressing the views of all my colleagues when I say what a loss it is to the government because he was a most able minister. He was in exactly the right job," he said. around that he has been hounded out of office by the press. That does not encourage good relations between Partiament and the press. I hope this sort of campaign will not be repeated."

Another member of the executive was less generous and said Mr Mellor appeared

Hideaway tactics tell the tale

By LIN JENKINS

THE smile normally beamed by the minister of fun was noticeably absent vesterday as he finally lost grip on ministerial office. On arrival at at the Department of National

Heritage, David Mellor uttered a simple "Good morning" to reporters and cameramen who were to dog him on his final day in office. Pleasantries over, he did not utter a word in public all day.

The morning saw him go

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round the corner to Number 10 for a cabinet meeting, but, as the other ministers left, there was no sign of Mr Mellor. His car and driver waited with engine running for more than an hour after John Major left. Pundits used the scene as a backdrop to speculation on lunchtime news bulletins, but the subject of their comments sensibly stayed inside.

Eventually. Mr Mellor emerged to cries of "Have you resigned?" from the press corps. The press thought they knew the answer, and Mr Mellor certainly knew the answer. but stayed stony-faced.

Mr Mellor remained in his office as the Commons debate opened to cries of "Where's Mellor?" Not until 4.15pm did he run the gauntlet of cameras as he was driven to the Commons by a roundabout route. It was not the action of a man staying on.

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to be "trading" on Mr Major's personal loyalty by remaining in office. It was significant, he added, that the resignation was announced before the executive's meeting had fin-ished and Sir Marcus had reported its conclusions to the prime minister via Richard Ryder, the chief whip. Mr Mellor's days were probably numbered as soon as

members of the committee's executive disclosed to Westminster journalists on Wednesday that his fate would be discussed at yesterday's meeting. The committee, which played a - key - role in the Thatcher leadership challenge and helped to bring about the downfall of Edwina Currie over the salmonella in eggs affair, acts as the conduit between the back benches and Mr Ryder and ultimately repersonally. Through it Mr Major learns what his MPs will or will not stomach.

The executive are known as the men in grey suits and their job is to glide around the bars and corridors of Westminster taking discreet soundings among their more junior colleagues. From time to time they sit in judgment on a Two years ago they had

even weightier matters than

Mr Mellor on their minds. Margaret Thatcher, then prime minister, had been grievously wounded by Michael Heseltine's challenge. The 18-strong executive, under the chairmanship of Cranley Onslow, a former M16 agent and MP for Woking, met in committee room 17 to consider her future. In the event, they funked it. The committee, which has shifted even further to the right since Baroness Thatcher's fall, split along ideological lines over whether

she should go or stay.

According to Lord: Parkinson's account of the ensuing lunch with Lady Thatcher, Mr Onslow was "more optimistic" about her chances than many other senior Tories. At the time, supporters of Douglas Hurd and Mr Major, who were waiting to enter the fray. dismissed the executive's

vagueness as a "cop-out".
Sir Marcus, the right-wing populist who defeated Mr Onslow in a backbench election earlier this year, would not have wanted to make the same mistake yesterday. He ousted Mr Onslow on the promise that he would fearlessly represent the views of backbenchers to the prime minister, even if it meant bringing unwelcome news.

The question mark over Mr Mellor's future could not be seen primarily in crude doctrinal terms. Its members could view the heritage secre-tary's position unfettered by the loyalties that lie behind so much of Westminster's manocurring. Their job was to assess opinion among Tory backbenchers and come to a judgment about whether the interests of the party and the government would be served by Mr Mellor's continuation

in office. Not that the past could be totally forgotten. A few of the executive were supporters of Lady Thatcher and they were not likely to overlook the active role played by Mr Mellor in securing her replacement.



Family profile: Mr Mellor posing with his wife, children and in-laws shortly after the revelations about his affair with Antonia de Sancha



High profile: Mr Mellor, QC, and, right, with a UN official meeting Palestinians during his controversial visit to the Gaza Strip in 1988

A female friend to suit all occasions

By JOE JOSEPH

PERHAPS typically for a man with a zest for life with a large splash of variety, David Mellor surrounded himself with women to suit every occasion. Antonia de Sancha, the

leggy out-of-work actress who allegedly exhausted him with passionate nights of toe-suck-ing and sex, offered a contrast to his dutiful wife, Judith. Mrs Mellor's chain-store wardrobe may have cost more than de Sancha's but she could not match the younger woman's inventiveness for turning a bedsheet into a

party frock. Once de Sancha's threemonth affair with Mellor was splashed across the tabloids the Rada-trained actress portrayed herself as more sinned against than sinning. This image began to fray as details emerged of her starring role in The Pieman, a soft-porn film in which she played a one-legged prostitute bedded by the pizza man.

Mona Bauwens, whose taste in dresses runs more to Armani than Army & Navy, was neither as solidly suburban as Judith nor as pouting and penniless as de Sancha. She had inherited a fortune

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from her rich Arab father Jaweed al-Ghussein, a businessman and chairman of the Palestine National Fund. With it came the opportunity to include her interest in film production and party-

Revelations that she had paid for a lavish family holiday with the Mellors was perhaps the biggest glitch in Bauwens' rise through the upper reaches of British society and the international jet



Contrast: Mrs Bauwens, Miss de Sancha, Mrs Mellor

CAROL LEONARD ment shared responsibility

'I am perceived by some as a point of weakness'

This was the exchange of latters between David Mellor and the prime minister: Dear Prime Minister,

As you know, I decided this morning that I should resign. I am deeply touched by your reluctance to let me do so, but I feel sure this is the right thing to do. I was very grateful that you and colleagues concluded in July that my folly in becoming embroiled in revelations of an affair did not warrant my leaving the Government

I am also very glad that following advice in the normal way, you have been able to make it clear that in relation to subsequent allegations, I have acted within the guidance on the conduct of ministers. However, I have concluded

that it is too much to expect of my colleagues in government and in Parliament to have to put up with a constant barrage of stories about me in certain tabloid newspapers. Rather than have this turn into a trial of strength between the govemment and some sections of the press about my future, I have decided to resolve it myself by resigning. I also have to bear in mind the interests of my wife and family who have been such a wonderful support to me during this particularly trying period for all of us. I leave with great regret. I have been privileged to hold office for 11 years in a series of jobs of enormous

interest and I believe of some

30 Temple Fortune Lane.

importance, especially in relation to drugs, broadcasting, the NHS and foreign affairs.

It has been a special privilege to serve under you in the cabinet as chief secretary and as the first secretary of state for national heritage. It is an opportunity given to few to

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lead in the creation of a new department of state, especially one which has so much to contribute to your own vision of improving the quality of life in this country. I would have loved to have been able to do more to turn that vision into reality. I shall of course continue to serve as member for Putney. I love my constituency and will do all I can to advance the interests of my constituents from the backbenches. I shall also do everything in my power to support and sustain the government in the months

and years ahead. The country is fortunate to have you as our prime minister. I am privileged to count you as a dear friend. I do not want to be seen as a liability to you. It is my one great regret about this whole sorry business that at this crucial time in the government's fortunes, when I should so much have liked to be seen as a tower of strength, I am perceived by some as a point of weakness. I hope I deal with that matter today by taking this step.

I was very sorry when you told me this morning of your decision to resign from the Government. As you know, you have always had my warm personal support, and I accepted your decision with deep regret. I admire the courage with which you have handled difficult circumstances in recent weeks. You have been a valued member of my cabinet, both as secretary of state for national heritage and before that as chief secretary. Your knowledge, experience and insight has been invaluable in getting the new department of national heritage off to a swift

and successful start I know from the messages of support I have received from those in the arts world and elsewhere how much your leadership, interest and enthusiasm will be missed. It is a matter of great regret that you will not be overseeing the next stage in the development of the department, but you have laid a sound foundation for the future. Before that, you handled the difficult job of chief secretary to the Treasury with great skill and determination and made an important contribution in a wide range of other ministerial jobs.

I will continue to value your friendship and your continued support in the House of Commons. My very best wishes to you and to Judith, who has provided such marvellous support through all this.

A case of death by a thousand cuttings

By Melinda Wittstock MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

IN a final plea for loyalty from the troops, an embattled David Mellor declared Wednesday night that his political future hung on the outcome of a war being waged between the prime minister and tabloid editors.

Yesterday the tabloids won Ever since The People first unveiled his relationship with the actress Antonia de Sancha last July, the heritage secre-tary has been relentlessly pursued by the editors of four or five tabloids" determined to force his resignation. Only the unwillingness of John Major to let tubloids dictate the composition of his cabinet kept Mr Mellor in

office until yesterday. Last night tabloid editors were unrepentant. Richard Stott, editor of The Daily Mirror, said only the heritage secretary could be blamed for his own downfall. We did not have an affair with Antonia de Sancha nor did we take an all expenses paid holiday with

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Mona Bauwens at a time when this country was facing its worst crisis since the Second World War," he said. Bill Hagerty, editor of *The People*, denied that the resignation was a victory for tabloids. "He is blaming the tabloids because that is what the establishment always does," he said.

In his resignation letter, Mr Mellor said it was "too much to expect of my colleagues in government and parliament to have to put up with a constant barrage of stories about me in certain tabloid newspapers. Rather than have this turn into a trial of strength between the government and some sections of the press I have decided to resolve

it myself by resigning."

Despite Mr Major's unflinching support, a barrage of fresh front-page headlines and new revelations about loaned limousines, luxury flats and free lavish holidays made Mr Mellor's position grow more perilous daily. But *The Daily Mail*'s calls for Mr Mellor's resignation

were more persistent than any other tabloid even the Labour supporting Daily Paul Dacre, Daily Mail

editor, would not comment on his paper's campaign, but Chris Davis, assistant editor of The Sun, said: "I am saddened that it has taken so long. A man in public office should realise that the public expect him to have more judgment."
Ultimately Mr Mellor's confidence that he could over-

ride a welter of embarrassments with Mr Major's backing, even with the Fleet Street pack in full cry, showed a man whose arrogance overrode his common sense.



Mirror image: the full tabloid treatment

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Prime minister faces Opposition attacks on policy in emergency Commons sitting

Quick British return to ERM ruled out

By ROBERT MORGAN AND ARTHUR LEATHLEY

BRITAIN will not be rejoining the European exchange rate mechanism soon, nor the same mechanism it left last week, John Major told MPs yesterday. The mechanism would have to be carefully reexamined before Britain went back in, he told the emergency sitting of the Commons.

But he made it clear that the fight against inflation goes on. and that public spending will be kept under tight control.

The prime minister entered the packed chamber to loud cheering and the waving of order papers by Tory backbenchers and good-natured shouts of "resign" from Labour MPs.

He opened by laying down the essential conditions for Britain's economic success: low inflation, low taxes, free trade and freedom from excessive state interference. "I am happy to reaffirm those principles today. We stand for a low-inflation and a low-tax economy and so, I believe, do the British people. That is why five months ago they made their choice and we sit here and they [Labour MPs] sit

Britain had joined the exchange rate mechanism to help to bring down inflation, and it had succeeded, he said. Government policy had had the backing of industry, commerce, the trade unions and the Labour party. "In the exceptional circumstances of 2000年

last week we were obliged to suspend our membership of the exchange rate mechanism. There was no choice. The mechanism could not withstand a market attack on the scale that occurred.

"I do not see that we could readily return to the mecha-nism without dealing with the problems that have been thrown up. These need careful examination, careful consideration before we can decide whether such a mechanism can be made to work to the benefit of all its members."

Some fundamentalists said

it could not and others said Britain should pop straight back in. "I have no intention of being bound to either course without a proper examination of where luture British interests lie," Mr Major said. But I do not believe that we shall be able to go back into the mechanism soon, or into the same mechanism we left."

The prime minister emphasised that lower interest rates alone would not achieve the objective of non-inflationary growth. This depended even more crucially on keeping firm control over public spending. The policy was tough but

The Maastricht treaty was less important than the pro-Europeans claimed and not as far-reaching as the sceptics

Sir Edward Heath,

former Tory prime minister:

Our nation at this

time is suffering from

shock and is much

confused ... I believe that it is looking to this

House today for clarification."

chairman of

the Commons

are facing a wall, it is not sensible to bang

your head against it. It

is sensible to walk

away and find an

alternative way

Terence Higgins.

former Tory

Treasury minister: 'My feeling is that the

Chancellor, in the past

few days, having

declared his policy, did everything possible to achieve it."

John Biffen.

former Tory

Speculators aren't just

a lot of yuppies from Essex in their braces,

they are people of considerable

'If you find that you

Backbench views

without Denmark and against the will of the Danish government and people. That cannot happen: and it will not hap-pen." The bill was not dead, and when the Danes had made their decision, it would be examined again. Those who assume it is dead have overlooked two things. Firstly, that there is much in it that we want. Secondly, that, with the con-sent of the Commons, I agreed it. I do not believe it would be proper for a British prime minister to agree a treaty and

then disown it." The bill

would return to the Commons

when the Danish decision was

said. Mr Major had refused to

commit Britain to a single currency and did not believe

could not proceed, Mr Major

said: "It would not be accept-

able for the 11 to go ahead

Announcing the details of a special meeting of the Euro-pean Council, to be held in Birmingham next month, Mr Major said that the council "needs to respond to the concerns that people right across Europe have shown about the direction of Community policy; to review what is wrong with the ERM and how the system can be made to work better in future." It would also address itself to Danish concerns and give further impetus to the General Agreement on Tariffs and

Trade talks. "Over recent months our concerns about the Community have been mirrored across Europe. The British agenda is now on the table. I have never seen our future as being a sour, isolated country off the mainland of continental Europe. That surely cannot be the way for us. Even though some will swallow hard at compromises that may need to be made, they should remember that others will have to

compromise as well. The voice that is raised to say we should look only after our own interests is the voice of narrow self-interest. Such a voice always has resonance in politics. And it is almost always wrong.

"Such a policy is more certain than any other to begin with cheers and end in tears."

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THE government had lost its credibility and would not be trusted again, Paddy Ashdown said. The sooner it

The Liberal Democrat lead-

er mocked the government and the prime minister for

failing to set out government

policy. The House, he said,

the government's economic

policies and he would have liked to have heard what they

were. John Major's speech,

probably intentionally, gave

was being invited to approve



Up in the air: Major wrestles with the economy and cabinet crisis, derided in the Commons by John Smith

'Devalued' prime minister attacked

By JILL SHERMAN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Smith set the House of Commons alight with a ferocious attack on the prime minister's handling of the economy. Accusing Mr Major of being "a devalued prime minister of a devalued government", Mr Smith used his first Commons performance as Labour leader to ridicule the prime minister's betrayal of his own policy.

Opening to roars of Labour support, Mr Smith told Mr Major: "You don't know what your economic policy is - that was startlingly clear in your speech." With Neil Kinnock looking on from the backbenches, Mr Smith claimed that the prime minister's policy was now utterly

"Who was it who said that to leave the ERM would be the infiationary option and a betrayal of our future and, in that very same speech, said: 'There is going to be no devaluation. no realignment? We have a government whose economic policy is in tatters, whose credibility is blown, whose incompetence has been exposed." he said

It would no longer do to blame others or say that their policies would, given time, come right. The Conservatives had been in power for the longest continuous period in post-war Britain. They are the architects - the sole constructors - of our country's

fore the House said nothing or

could be read to mean whatev-

er you wanted it to mean, not

only on the government backbenches, but in the cabi-

net as well. It was the only

resolution the Conservative

party could have put down which they could all vote for.

The unity of the Conservative

Since last Wednesday the

party came first.

rency. He cited the response of Goldman Sachs, the investment bankers, to the article. dismal situation," he added. "In the course of a few weeks. "The prime minister certainly had his work out out, much the the one policy with which the same as Eddie the Eagle had in attempting to win gold at the Winter Olympics a few prime minister was uniquely and personally associated has years ago."
He also mocked the prime been blown apart. And with it has gone for ever any claim by the prime minister or the party

minister's speech to the Scottish CBI on September 10 when he said there would be no devaluation of the pound. Within a week Britain had withdrawn from the ERM

Mr Smith's acerbic swipes

"We have a government whose economic policy is in tatters, whose credibility is blown"

at both the prime minister and and the pound was subsethe Chancellor "chucking in . quently devalued by 13 per the docks" led to three interventions from Mr Major, who looked increasingly wounded. Mr Smith had his own

he leads to economic compe-tence. He is the devalued prime minister of a devalued

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backbenchers doubled up with laughter as he paraded a series of statements and reports leading up to the government's dramatic U-turn on devaluation.

Enjoying every moment of his Commons debut as Labour leader, Mr Smith began by deciding the prime minister's stated ambition — in a report in The Sunday Times for sterling to replace the mark

thing went wrong the first

action was to blame others

instead of taking action to put

things right. He condemned

as "discreditable" the attacks

The origins of débacle rest-

ed with the underlying weak-

ness of the British economy

over the past 40 years, and not

least in the decision in 1985

not to join the ERM then. He

attacked John Major for join-

ing the ERM at the wrong

time at the wrong rate. But, he

said, the then Chancellor had

on the Germans.

Government 'puts unity of Tory party first'

cent. The real lesson to be drawn from a comparison of the British and German economies is that before you can have a strong currency, you

need a strong economy."
Germany had adopted the appropriate industrial strategy while the British government could only produce "policy failure garnished by absurd hype and rhetorical fancy". In December 1989, as

Chancellor, Mr Major had said the recession was neither likely nor necessary, Mr Smith said. In June 1991, Mr Major had said recovery was coming

ence. Another case of short-

for the benefit of the Conserva-

tive party. That had always dictated government policy.

back into the ERM, although

this would be difficult. There

was no refuge in an exchange rate policy which allowed free-

dom to devalue, freedom to

suffer inflation, freedom to

have lower growth, freedom to decline while others pros-

pered, freedom to boom and

bust as Britain had for the past

Britain, he said, had to get

in weeks. At the general election Mr Major had told people to vote Tory on Thursday and recovery would conthat Britain was lurching back to Thatcherite economic policies which "pulverised" the economy during the 1980s.

He challenged Mr Major on why he did not press for a

general realignment within the ERM once the extent of the sterling crisis became clear. This would have saved Britain from being forced to leave the ERM and the government from having to spend £1 billion propping up the

Mr Major angrily tried to reassert his authority by claim-ing that Labour policy was to devalue every time there was a speculative attack on sterling. Mr Smith countered that the prime minister was walking blindly on while the crisis unfolded. Mr Major said the government had been forced to devalue against its wishes because of the inevitability of the size of the speculation. which no one could ever have

Mr Smith concluded his attack with warnings about the public expenditure cuts to come as a result of the government's action. "The price will be paid by the British people in lost jobs, unbuilt homes. missed opportunities and de-

BRIEFS

Hospitals urged to compete

Operating theatres should be used at night and on Sunday afternoons within a health service which should take financial lessons from industry. 2 st-nior health economist told hospital managers yeslurday (Alison Roberts writes). Speaking at the first

NHS Trust Federation conference in Harrogate. Professor Alan Maynard. of the Centre for Health Economics at the University of York, said that selfgoverning hospitals within the new competitive health service should follow the example of the water, telephone and electricity in-dustries and offer "loss-leading" and "super-saver" services.

Far more aggressive marketing tactics must be employed by rival hospitals hoping to attract custom from purchasing health authorities, he said.

His suggestions were met with enthusiasm by delegates who are well versed in marketplace jar-gon. John Greetham, chairman of the NHS Trust Federation, said: There are no sacred cows whatsoever and we should ask ourselves many questions about how we do

things."
Earlier, delegates heard
Virginia Bottomley, the health secretary, predict that most hospitals would opt out of local authority control within the next few years. Announcing her approval of almost all the 150 third wave trust applications. Mrs Bottomley said that interest in the fourth wave was already growing. However, the self-governing units would have to be made more accountable as their numbers increased to a potential 450 after the third wave. She ruled out a form of direct management which would "throttle" freedom of trusts, but supported the idea of a buffer tier between trusts and the health department.

Scots fight water sale

The Scottish National Party yesterday launched a campaign against the privatisation of water in Scotland, claiming that the government's plan would amount to theft "for private profit and greed" (Kerry Gill writes).

The water issue has become one of the party's main campaigning planks, with members determined to fight privatisation as hard as they fought the poll tax. Andrew Welsh, the SNP vice-president, said the campaign marked "the start of an all-out war" against privatisation.

Mr Weish, who moved the resolution opposing privatisation, said: "The Tories have no Scottish mandate to privatise water supplies. This privatisation is another example of Scotland receiving policies for which we did not vote from a government we over-

starved Scottish water services of investment and hobbled them with an unfair debt structure, leaving authorities to spend more on interest payments than they invested in water

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whelmingly rejected." He claimed that West-

government had been trying to shift the blame on to the joined in 1990 immediately before the Tory party confer-40 years. There was no refuge on the periphery of Europe. Ashdown: no refuge on The one-line resolution be-Germans. Whenever any-New intake threatens disruption Four former Chancellors unite

By Sheila Gunn, political correspondent

ALTHOUGH John Major appears to be resigned to the odd unhelpful outburst from Baroness Thatcher and her

cohorts, he could rue the day he sent them up to the other From their eyrie in the Lords, they have tremendous potential for making life difficult for the government, par-

Maastricht treaty is revived. The peers in recent years have tended to take a more pro-European stance than the MPs. But the division of

somewhat by the new intake. Tactful handling of Lady Thatcher, together with Lords Tebbit, Ridley and Parkinson, will be left largely in the hands of the prime minister's chief troubleshooter, Lord Wakeham. If anyone in Parliament has the necessary skills for defusing revolts it is the new Leader of the Lords. He is also one of that dwindling band of senior politicians who has not only the ear of the prime minister but remains on good terms with his predecessor. The new Thatcher peers,

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backed up her former likeminded friends Lords Joseph and Boyd-Carpenter, have the advantage denied to the Eurosceptics in the Commons of the much laxer procedures in the Lords. The upper House is self-regulatory, with no guilloticularly if the bill to ratify the tine to limit debate and no restrictions on the number of amendments which can be tabled and discussed.

Lord Hesketh, the government's chief whip, relies on the predominantly elderly House loathe to go on into the early hours to limit debate. But it only takes a determined stand by the awkward squad to

wreck his tactics. Ranged on the other side of the fence is a formidable band of former politicians and former EC bureaucrats with their feet firmly planted on the Euro train. Scattered around the Lords they include Lord Howe of Aberavon, Lord Healey. Lord Jenkins of Hillhead, Lord Cockfield, and the favourite to become the new leader of the Labour peers,

Lord (Ivor) Richard. To muddy the waters further, Lord Wakeham cannot forget the voting power of the big businessmen and bankers, most of whom were given the ermine by the former prime minister. As a pragmatic bunch, the Lords Hanson, King, Laing, Boardman and their ilk, tend to give their loyalty to the Tory leader of the

So long as votes are timed to catch them in the twilight hour, ideally around 6.30. between the close of City business and dinner, they are reasonably obedient to the parry whip. But they have been sorely tested by the recession, culminating in last week's dehade which left the government effectively without an economic or European policy. Some, such as Lord Hanson, have made it dear that Norman Lamont is now

on probation. With little power of patronage to call on, Lord Wakeham will have to rely chiefly on persuading doubting peers by argument, rather than cracking the whip.

Gould is silent

By JILL SHERMAN POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

BRYAN Gould yesterday made a determined effort to toe Labour's official line on Europe by effectively keeping his lips sealed.

While keeping his commit-ment to launch a highly critical pamphlet attacking the Maastricht treaty and the exchange rate mechanism, Mr Gould accepted collective shadow cabinet responsibility and refused to be drawn into publically repeating his criticism on these issues.

The chief cabinet rebel decided not to undermine John Smith's leadership or jeopardise his own position by challenging the pro-European line adopted by the shadow cabinet on Wednesday.

Shadow cabinet members are privately angry that Mr Gould wrote an article in the New Statesman which appeared today, attacking Labour's position in Europe, and pre-recorded an interview for the BBC's On the Record programme on Sunday.

By SHEILA GUNN

ONE Conservative and three Labour peers, all former Chancellors of the Exchequer, came together to warn the government not to be seduced into believing the British economy would benefit from

In an unpredented show of Lords Callaghan, Healey, Jenkins and Howe found themselves in broad agreement on the long-term dangers of becoming isolated on the fringes of Europe.

leaving the pound floating

outside the ERM.

During the Lords emergenry debate on the economy, the strength of the rhetoric varied, with Lord Healey mounting the strongest condemnation of the government's handling of the economy in recent weeks, and particularly of Norman Lamont, the

Lord Healey said: "What is most depressing is that the Chancellor should have chosen deliberately this very mo-ment to excite the worst form of zenophobia, egged on by passionate shricks from Bar-

Drawing a slight hiss from

医学艺术 the Tory benches, one of the peers' strongest forms of pro-

test, he went on: "It is not good to see a Chancellor act like a cut-price [Jean-Marie] Le Pen [leader of the French National Front, or, as the Italian prime minister described him, a tot in a

Lord Healey, and Lord Jenkins of Hillhead, now leader of the Liberal Democrat peers, said Mr Lamont should resign. Lord Howe and Lord Callaghan urged an early

return to the ERM. Lady Thatcher and her Euro-sceptic colleagues, Lords Tebbit, Ridley and Parkinson, did not speak in the Lords debate. Lord Healey said Mr Major had "betrayed

the future of our own people' without a word of apology. The former Labour prime minister, Lord Callaghan of Cardiff, said: "Britain and Europe have arrived at one of those rare moments in poli-

ties when the decisions we

take and what we do in the

weeks ahead will influence for years ahead the course of European history." wrong course could set off a resurgence of old and virulent

Only recently the govern-ment was declaring that, if Britain bung on, sterling could replace the mark as the benchmark currency. "We can only conclude that ministers deceived themselves as well as us."

Hearing Lord Wakeham defend the indefensible", he felt sorry that ministers did not take the advice of Kipling which should be hung over Mr Lamont's bed, saying "It was our fault and a very great fault but now we must turn it to use. We have 40 million reasons for failure but not a single excuse." On Maastricht he said Britain was still looking for a clear statement of the government's

intention. Lord Jenkins of Hillhead said it would have been proper and wiser" for Mr Lamont to follow James Callaghan's example in 1969 and "honourably" resign.

Council tax warning

Labour gave a warning of chaos over the council tax. which comes into operation next April Doug Henderson, the Opposition local government spokesman, said: "If only 5 per cent of households appeal against their council tax banding, then one million appeals will have to be heard. This could cause the same chaos as beset the poll tax." He went on: House-

holders are much more likely to appeal than the government ever imagined. Many householders will feel that their properties are over-valued because of falling house prices and many will, no doubt, attempt to make out a case that the value of their property fell before the valuation date of April 1991." He called on the govern-

ment to give a commitment that any successful appeal would mean that overpaid cash was returned with interest.

New treatment gives hope to victims of arthritis

By NIGEL HAWKES, SCIENCE EDITOR

A NEW treatment for rheumatoid arthritis has produced dramatic improvements in people crippled by the disease. Long-term patients who were showing no benefit from established therapies have been able to go for walks or play with their children for the first time in years. One man felt so much better he went out

and started a business.

The treatment, developed at Cambridge University's pa-thology department, uses specially modified antibodies to attack the immune system cells that are believed to be responsible for causing the disease. A single course of treatment over 10 days produced improvements lasting for up to eight months in the eight patients tested. Some were treated a second time and have had relief from pain for more than a year.

The treatment has been licensed to the Wellcome Foundation, which recently launched trials on 40 patients

in Europe and the US. Rheumatoid arthritis is a crippling condition affecting about 500,000 people in Britain. Sufferers endure growing pain and loss of flexibility in the joints. Existing drugs can help to alleviate the pain and improve movement but cannot cure the condition.

The disease is believed to result from a failure of the immune system to distinguish friend from foe. Instead of attacking only alien organisms such as bacteria and destroying them, the T cells in the immune system attack the body, setting in motion the process that damages the

The Cambridge research-

ers, who report their results in The Lancet today, have developed a treatment designed to knock out the T cells by using monoclonal antibodies. These are antibodies engineered to order so that they bind with the T cells, destroying them. Because the antibodies are

derived in the first place from rats, they would normally be rejected just like an organ transplant between different species. To get around this problem, the Cambridge team 'humanised" the rat antibodies by replacing the part that binds to the antigen with the equivalent binding region from a human antibody.

They treated the patients by infusing samples of the humanised antibody, known as Campath-1H, into the bloodstream. The treatment takes two to four hours a day for ten days and, according to Dr John Isaacs, the team leader, produces an immediare improvement.

The antibodies kill off most of the circulating T cells," he said yesterday. "While in theory this should expose the patients to other infections, that doesn't seem to happen. Patients who have had the treatment show a dramatic response. Some were so lively we had to restrain them from doing too much."
The Cambridge scientists

hope to try the antibody treatment on psoriasis, a skin disease also believed to be linked to the T cells. Wellcome's trial is aimed at rheumatoid arthritis and at non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, a

Health Times

Missiles thrown at death joyrider

BY RONALD FAUX

A JOYRIDER who killed two young children while on bail for two other reckless driving offences was sentenced to a total of seven and a half years' detention by Liverpool Crown Court yesterday.

Notes fight

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Atissiles were thrown from the public gallery when Mr Justice Hidden sentenced Christopher Lewin, 19, to four and a half years concurrently for each of the manslaughter offences and banned him for driving for seven years. He was given 18 months each. consecutively, for two reckless driving offences. Friends and relatives of the dead children. who had earlier been ejected after trying to attack Lewin. were prevented from storming

back into the court. When the court was told by the defence that Lewin was remorseful, an aunt of one of the victims rushed between lawyers and tried to reach the dock. She shouted: "You took her away from me. Kill him, kill him." Other people who tried to clamber over the security screen between the public gallery and the dock were ejected as prison officers bundled Lewin to safety. Lewin, of Toxteth, Liver-

slaughter of Adele Thompson. 12. of Fairfield, Liverpool, and Daniel Davies, 9, of Toxteth, on October 30 last year. He admitted 17 other offences, including ramming two police cars. The court was told how a stolen high-performance car

pool, had admitted the man-

driven by Lewin crashed into the two children and another boy. They had all been collecting for Guy Fawkes night. Lewin had lost control of the car at 60mph. Adele was flung 90ft by the impact and Daniel, who died on November 5. was flung 50ft.

Lewin and his passenger ran off but gave themselves up next day. The court was told that six weeks earlier Lewin had been released on bail by magistrates for joyriding offences. He had never taken a driving test and was banned from driving at the time for taking a car without consent. Mr Justice Hidden said that

joyriding was a totally false description. "The only joy when that activity takes place is a brief, selfish, wicked and arrogant joy in the mind of the person doing the act. The reality is a total opposite."

Russians

wait for

visa news

BY JULIA LLEWELLYN SMITH

A RUSSIAN couple who

set off on a 2.000-mile

voyage in a leaking 24ft yacht will find out today

whether they can stay

another week in Britain to make their boat seaworthy for their planned trip to

the West Indies and

Southampton immigra-

tion officials have given

Alexander and Galina

Grazhdankin, from Mos-

cow, until noon today to

leave Warsash. Hamp-

shire, where they arrived

after a nine-week voyage.

Frustration with food shortages, rising prices and travel restrictions led

them to sell all they had

and buy the yacht for

"I would rather travel

across the whole world

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canes than deal with a

Russian bureaucrat." Mr

Grazhdankin said.

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Baby killer given life sentence

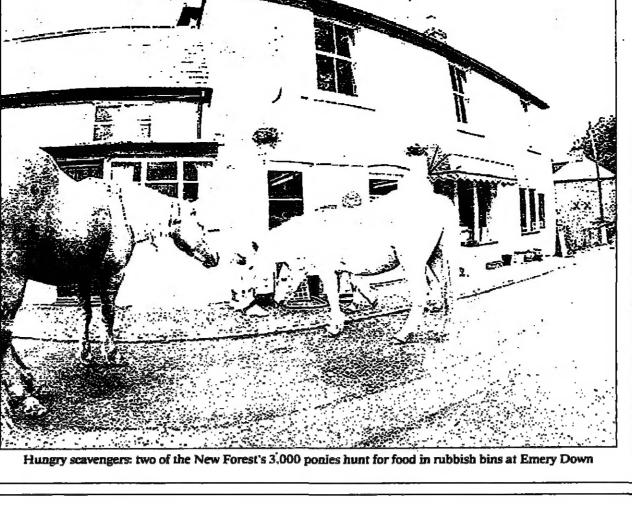
A MAN said to adore children was sentenced to life imprisonment yesterday for the murder of his girl friend's fivemonth-old son. Frederick Feathers, 20, buried his head in his hands as the jury at the Old Bailey returned a unani-

mous verdict. Feathers, unemployed, of Barking, east London, denied muidering Harry Gurney on October 31 last year. He admitted manslaughter. He will begin his sentence in

vouth custody. He told the court that he "snapped" when Harry would not step enying. He shook him and threw him on the bed. where "his head came in contact with a wall". He said that he did notintend to harm

the child. Neil Taylor, QC, for the defence, said that Feathers adored children. He had persuaded Joanne Gurney. 19, not to have an abortion when she was pregnant with

Miss Gurney said outside court. "I am sticking by Fred. I know he didn't mean to do it."



New Forest wins national park status

By Michael Hornsby, agriculture correspondent

THE New Forest, created in the eleventh century as the hunting preserve of Norman kings, is to be enlarged and given national park status to protect its landscape and the ancient grazing rights of the local people.

The expanded New Forest Heritage Area is an ecologi-cally unique area of heath, pasture and woodland lying between Bournemouth and Southampton. It covers more than 200 square miles, stretching from the Salisbury district of Wiltshire in the north west to the Hampshire coast in the south east.

This area is almost 50 per cent larger than the forest defined by the medieval boundary. In a ceremony yesterday in the Verderers' Court in Lyndhurst. David Madean, the countryside minister, said that the core of the forest had been well preserved but the new outlying areas needed better pro-

tection against inappropriate development.

The forest's new status will be similar to that created three years ago for the Norfolk Broads. It will not be called a national park but will have the same degree of legal

protection.

Nicholas Soames, the ju-nior agriculture minister, said the government recognised the vital importance of commoners' grazing as the most practical and cost-effective way of preventing over-growth and preserving the diversity of flora and fauna.

The forest has 500 practis ing commoners, who hold grazing rights, and 3,000 ponies, 1,500 cattle and several hundred sheep and pigs. The pigs are allowed to root for acorns under a right of pannage from late September to late November. But only about 250 commoners now turn their animals out every

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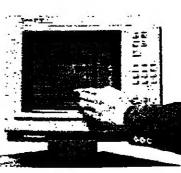
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Minister tells exam boards to drop TV shows from GCSE

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

EXAMINING boards should drop television programmes and sub-standard texts from GCSE syllabuses before the qualification is brought into disrepute, Baroness Blatch, minister, said yesterday.

She told the boards' annual conference in Belfast that the national curriculum should introduce pupils to their literary heritage. The inclusion of worthless material sent unde-sirable signals to teachers and

pupils.
The Northern Examining Association attracted criticism earlier this year when it issued eartier this year when it issued English syllabuses including optional study of Neighbours. Allo 'Allo and Coronation Street. Lady Blatch said she was "not impressed" by arguments that such areas of study were minor appears among were minor options among wider reading lists.

'I have no patience with the kind of cultural relativism or perhaps the word should be nihilism — that holds that any

kind of text is grist to the educational mill, and choice is purely a subjective matter,"

"It should not even need to be argued that there are works of literature, as of course there are in music and the visual arts, which represent pinnacles of human achievement and touchstones of excellence for all time."

Pupils faced a demanding agenda between the ages of 14 and 16, she said. Every text under study took up time that could be spent studying some-thing else and it was therefore worrying when GCSE sylla-buses specified material that had little value.

Tighter ministerial control of the GCSE exams was a possibility when the final stage of the national curriculum was assessed she said John Pat-ten, the education secretary. would become responsible for examining standards and could not delegate power to

Lady Blatch said it was not acceptable for the schools inspeciorate to declare that they had only limited confidence in the standards of GCSE. There would be little point in

an examination system which gave a warm feeling of success to parents and pupils, but failed to command the confidence of employers and the general community," she said.

The Church of England could recommend grantmaintained status for many of its 5,000 schools, a report in Church Times says today (Ruth Gledhill writes). In England about 5,000

maintained schools, which in-clude voluntary-aided and

controlled schools, are Anglican foundations. The opting out of all or most
Anglican schools could be
expensive for the government because the state would as-sume responsibility for the 15 per cent of capital expenditure provided by churches and

other voluntary bodies.

Croatians welcomed at school

FOUR Croatian girls began school in Berkshire yesterday after being brought to Britain from a Bosnian refugee camp. They were greeted by teach-

ers and pupils and each allocated a "special friend" to help them through their first days at Hungerford primary school. Shirley Huxtable, the head teacher, said: "They seem to be quite at home and I'm sure they will settle in very well after all the excitement dies down."

The girls, Ivana Sokcevic, 7, Jelena Bosnjakovic, 6, Kristina Potlimbrzovic, 7, and Vanda Potlimbrzovic, 6, are part of a 25-strong refugee group from Bosnia brought to Berkshire by two police constables last week after losing their homes and possessions in the bombing. The coach trip, by Steve Thorn and Gerry Parsons, was funded

by local people.

The refugees are being housed at the disused Hungerford Hospital while they await the outcome of their applications for political



Helping hands: Ivana Sokcevic, left, and her new friend Hannah Rolfe

University standards threatened

higher education funding coincides with further growth in student numbers, vice-chan-

John Patten, the education secretary, told the vice-chancellors at their annual conference in Exeter to expect three more years of cost cutting to meet the government's expan-

David Harrison, the vicechancellors' chairman, said yesterday that some universities would be forced to take more students than they wanted to compensate for a loss of research income. Their only other option would be to sack

Mr Harrison, vice-chancel-lor of Exeter University, said that those universities that benefited from a more selec-tive allocation of research money might choose to expand more slowly. The rest would face stark choices. "Are they having to balance the books by taking more and more students, or do they start not taking take students because of concerns about quality and loss of staff posis?"

The divisions hinge on changes in the allocation of research funds, which are also causing disagreements in

causing disagreements in Whitehall. Mr Patten met William Waldegrave, the min-ister responsible for science. yesterday to raise objections to the transfer of almost £500 million a year to the new system. The switch would leave the new higher education funding councils responsible only for money dedicated to teaching.

THE quality of many univer-sity courses will decline next year if a threatened squeeze on

cellors said yesterday.

NEWS IN BRIEF Death car carried 10 people

A learner driver crashed a car carrying 10 people, causing the deaths of two who were travelling in the boot, a court

was told vesterday. Bridgette Williams, 28, had packed three in the front, four in the back and three in the best of a Volkswagen Scirceon hatchback after the group could not get a lift home from a nightclub. The car, which had no MoT certificate, overturned on the M4 near Swansea, throwing seven people out and killing Paul Todd and David Timmons.

Williams, of Daten, near Hanelli. Dyfed, admitting causing death by reckless driving. She was given a suspended jail sentence by Swansea Crown Court and banned from driving for two years.

Boy drowns

Edwyn Michaels, 5, drowned in the bath of his home in Wood Green, north London, after bolting the door behind him. Firemen were called after his father failed to break the door down.

Hospital sale

East Sussex hospital. Hastings, which closed recently, hopes to raise £50,000 for its new £47 million replacement by auctioning its equipment. The 1,000 lots will range from X-ray machines to bedpans.

Arson move

Rhondda Borough Council. Mid Glamorgan, has brought forward its plans to demolish-ten blocks of flats after 12 arsons and attacks on firemen at the Penrhys estate in the past two weeks.

Escaper caught

Wayne Green. 22, charged with threatening to kill two policemen, was recaptured at his home in Long Eaton, Derbyshire. He escaped from outside court in likeston. Derbyshire, two weeks ago.

Britannia hit

The royal yacht Britannia suffered damage to its hull when it was hit by a navy tanker while tied up in dock at Ports-mouth naval base.

Blocked drain

essex Water has issued warning leaflets about clogging up sewers, tierns tound in drains include false teeth, a dead Dobermann, mattresses and a lawnmower.

Mellow yellow

June Hurst, of Flimwell, East Sussex, who has had 11 acridents in her Mini Metro this year, has repainted it yellow after reading that yellow cars have fewer accidents.

Betting on life

An unnamed man aged 85 has bet £50 at odds of 500-1 that he will live to 100. The bet was taken by Ladbrokes in Christchurch, Dorset.

Viscountess killed by pills cocktail

THE wife of the chairman of Associated Newspapers, with a cocktail of sleeping

Yesterday, Westminster coroner's court was told that behind her extrovert. happy exterior she was a deeply insecure person who was preoccupied with her health and could not live without sleeping tablets. More than 2,000 tablets in 75 containers were found in the villa in the south of

France where she died.
Recording a verdict of death by misadventure, the coroner, Paul Knapman. ruled out any suggestion of suicide. There is no evidence that she was depressed, and certainly nothing to point towards suicide," he said.

A poisons expert told the inquest that the viscountess, aged 63, had twice the prescribed amount of the sleeping tablet Dalmane in her blood. She also had five times the normal level of the anti-histamine drug Atarax, which a New York doctor had prescribed to try to wean her from sleeping

investigations by the cor-oner's office revealed that Lady Rothermere saw at least four doctors in London alone. They pre-scribed pills for ailments



Rothermere: kept her doctors in the dark

including pancreatitis, colitis, knee trouble and thyroid problems.

One of her doctors. Douglas Rossdale, said: "If she did not get the answer she wanted from one doctor she would go to another. The doctors were left rather in the dark as to what was going on. We did try to make her see this and conform, but I do not think we were that successful.

"In March 1991 I tried to get her off Dalmane, but with her busy life and a lot of functions she could not take the withdrawaf symptoms."

Lady Rothermere's maid. Balbina Pocas, the last person to see her alive, said that the viscountess had complained of a sore throat and had feared she was going down with pneumo-



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Pressure on Rabin to break impasse

Israelis leave US peace talks empty-handed

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN JERUSALEM

ISRAELI peace negotiators left Washington empty-handed yesterday after a month of largely fruitless talks with Arab delegates that failed to

achieve any concrete progress.

Although Israeli officials
put the best face on the outcome, no amount of gloss could conceal the fact that Yitzhak Rabin, the prime minister, is no nearer achieving peace in the region than he

was in August.

Before the latest round of negotiations, the Israeli coalition government had set itself two main objectives. Their priority was to reach agree-ment with the joint Palestinian-Jordanian delegation on the holding of elections in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip in April or May next year for a Palestin-ian leadership there.

The other main goal was to emerge from Washington with a joint declaration of principles signed by Israel and Syria, which could become the cornerstone of future deliberations and mark the first time

that the two warring neighbours had jointly produced and signed an agreement.

However, delegates to the talks reported almost no headway during the contacts between the Palestinians and Israelis, a setback some attribute to the frequent intervention of the Palestine Liberation Organisation and its leader Yassir Arafat, who kept right control of the Palestinian negotiators from his headquarters in exile in Tunis.

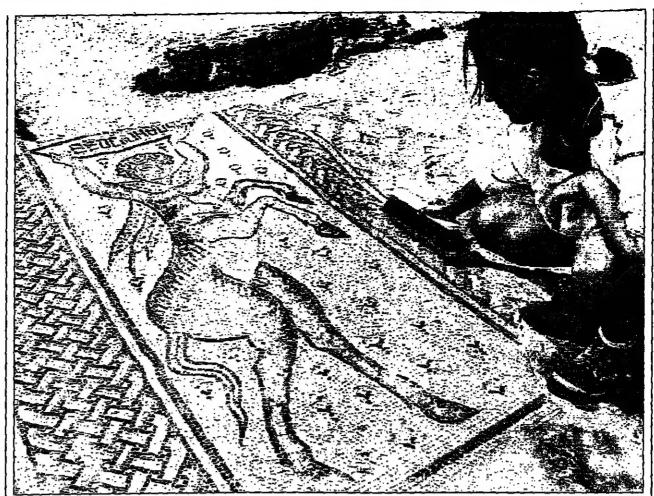
Although the Syrian position appeared to soften during the negotiations. Damascus has ruled out a joint declaration at this stage and the two sides remain deeply divided over the territories captured by Israel during the six-day war in 1967.

Reacting to remarks by Farouk al-Sharaa, the Syrian foreign minister, that his country was ready for "total peace" with Israel, Mr Rabin said that he would be satisfied only when President Assad of Syria was prepared to tell his people that real peace with

israel meant open borders and diplomatic relations.

Although the Labour-led israeli coalition government is not being blamed for the failure of any progress in Washington, unlike its hard-line Likud predecessor, there is growing concern that Mr Rabin will have to produce an initiative if he wants to unblock the diplomatic impasse and fulfil his election promises. Benjamin Netanyahu, the opposition Likud Knesset member who is the favourite to succeed the outgoing leader. Yizhak Shamir, accused Labras of offering a proceeded. our of offering a "cascade of concessions" and receiving nothing in return.

● Nicosia: Iraqi opposition leaders met in Iraq for the first time yesterday in an effort to forge a united movement to topple President Saddam Hussein (Michael Theodoulou writes). The gathering, in the Kurdish-controlled northern city of Saladin, included representatives of almost all Iraq's religious, ethnic and political groups.



a mosaic of a centaur found at the ancient city of Sepphoris in northern Israel. It is one of a series of remarkably preserved mosaics - between 1,500 and 1,700 years old -

featuring gods and hunting scenes, discovered by archaeologists at what was Galilee's capital in Roman times. With the portrait of a beautiful woman found five years ago, dubbed the Mona Lisa, they make Sepphoris the richest

site of mosaics in Israel, according to Hebrew University archaeologists conducting the dig. They have also unearthed a colomnaded shopping street at the site, four miles from

Iran's new submarine sets sail

BY MICHAEL EVANS DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

THE first of three Kilo class Russian diesel-powered submarines sold to Iran has set sail for the Gulf from a naval base in Latvia, it was disclosed yesterday. Britain has warned Russia that the sale is "potentially destabilising"

The prospect of Iran becoming the first state in the Gulf to have submarines has raised fresh fears in the West over arms proliferation in the region. The 3,000-ton submarine is one of the most potent acquisitions in Iran's current arms build-up.

Iranian crews have been training at a Russian base in Latvia for about a year. Yesterday, some of the submarine trainee crews were filmed se-

cretly by the BBC: Russia and the four other permanent members of the United Nations Security Council are supposedly in agreement over the danger of selling high-technology military equipment to countries like Iran. British officials have raised the issue of Russian sales to Iran, which have also included MiG29 and Su24 fighter aircraft. A Foreign Office spokesman said: "We encourage all countries to follow a responsible policy on

arms sales to the region. Danis Turihas, Latvia's deputy defence minister, said yesterday: "At the same time as the Russians want to become part of Europe and be allies of the West, and claim common interest with the West and claim to be opposed to aggression, they are again providing terrorist weapons of unforeseen magnitude to the Iranians."

The Iranians already have

three destroyers and five frig-

ates, and with the effective elimination of Iraq's navy in the Gulf war, Tehran is aiming to become the dominant force in the Gulf, with the potential to threaten oil routes. Russian officials have justified the deal by saying that it was agreed before the breakup of the Soviet Union, They said they were obliged to fulfil the terms of the contract. But the West suspects Russia is just desperate for foreign currency.

Kilo submarines, armed with conventional torpedoes, have a crew of 45 and a maximum speed of 17 knots.

Heat is worst foe for Gulf patrol

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Christopher Walker swelters with sailors of HMS Chatham on sanctions duty in the Gulf

I wo years after the inva-sion of Kuwait. British warships patrolling the Gulf to enforce sanctions against lraq are still struggling to cope with their most potent enemy in the region - heat.

enemy in the region — heat.

"The most important thing is to keep the men from dehydrating. On deck, they need 15 litres of water a day and getting that to them, especially if there is a threat of chemical attack, is a mal problem," said Tony Hogg, captain of one of three Royal Nawy vessels, whose Armilla Navy vessels whose Armilla patrol is a reminder that, if necessary. UN resolutions will

be backed by force. On deck, where metal surfaces are painful to the touch at temperatures of 45°C, sailors in nuclear, biological and chemical suits loaded missile-deflecting chaffs in dedeflecting shells in de-bilitating pools of sweat. "It takes at least a month to adjust to temperatures like this and today is not excep-tionally hot," said Lieutenant Mick Colyer, his brow streaming, despite the strip of shade

Below decks, air condition-ing, which is the envy of American sailors working in the adjacent 24-strong battle fleet headed by the aircraft carrier USS Ranger (whose engine room temperatures 😤 can soar to 60°C) keeps vital weapons control systems stable. But science has yet to find a way to help those working

To keep out the heat, reinforced by the sun's blinding reflection off the water, doors in and out of the 4,850-tonne frigates are more like air locks on a diving bell. Permanent medical attention is on hand for those overcome by heat.

The darkened operations room, lit only by the cerie light of radar screens scanning the skies over Iraq, is like a refrigerator compared with the furnace from where weap-

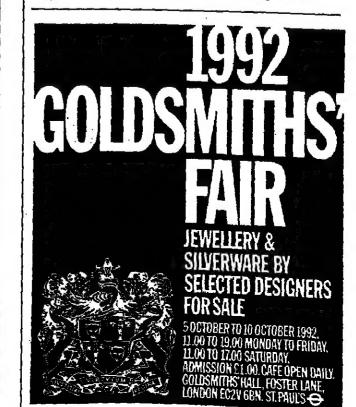
ons are fired. near Iraq, the crew work on "defence watch", involving six hours on, six hours off, around the clock and only five min-

utes from "action stations". "We take life pretty seriously at the north end of the Gulf," Captain Hogg, a Falk-lands veteran, said. "All weapons are loaded with live ammunition and we are ready for anything. The geography helps focus the mind."

H is cabin, complete with an original letter from Nelson framed on the wall and decanters from the Victory, is a reminder of the blend of tradition and technology that characterises the modern navy. Soldiers are still referred to derisively as pongos" and, in keeping with the concept of the "loneliness of command". Captain Hogg, a gregarious man of 43,

dines alone most nights. "Brace-brace-brace" came the screamed command over the address system, preceded by a whistle blast as the crew of 237 were ordered to bend their knees and "grip something solid" in anticipation of an Iraqi Exocet attack simulated by the computer in an unnerving exercise.

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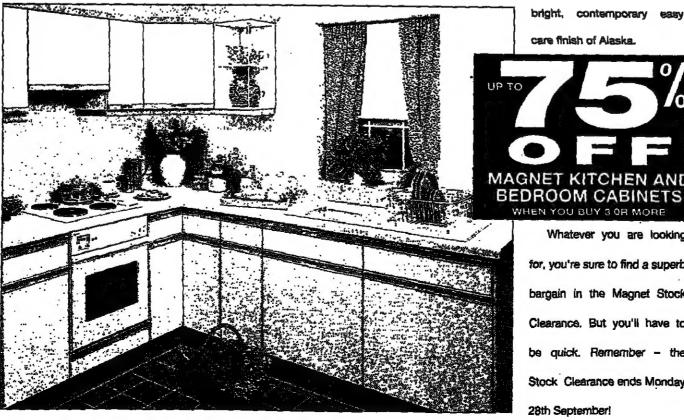
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Iran-Contra scandal and economic woes return to hound Bush

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT Bush left the campaign trail yesterday to rest at Camp David and bonder how on earth, with just 10 days left, can he avoid becoming only the fifth inumbent this century to be oted out of the White House. Events yesterday amply demonstrated the mountainas task Mr Bush faces. Front-rage stories in The Washingon Post and USA Today challenged his claim to have been "out of the loop" during the Iran-Contra scandal. Evidence also emerged to suggest that despite the president's firm denials, his administration knowingly assisted Iraq's weapons programme before the Gulf war.

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The Senate overrode Mr
Bush's veto of legislation permitting unpaid leave at times
of family need, giving the
House an outside chance to embarrass the "family values" if president by making this the first of his 32 vetoes to be overturned. Unemployment claims jumped 15,000 in a week. New figures showed an anaemic economic growth in the April-June quarter with scant prospect of a pre-election

Mr Bush has begun porte traying Mr Clinton as a deceit-ful, draft-dodging tax-and-is spender who would bring misery to Main Street". But still he cannot improve his 43 per cent ceiling in the polls. his reentry looks almost cer-tain, but his goals remain a

MERICAN public support or Bill Clinton, the Democrat-

: presidential candidate, has

eaked, according to recent

plls. Three "snapshot" polls, y Gallup for CNN/USA To-

ay among 1,182 registered viers, by NBC News/The

Yall Street Journal among 506 people and by ABC

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mong a sample of 637,

aggest that President Bush's

empaign tacties are begin-

rng to bite.
This is confirmed by the

Creenberg-Lake-Tarrance goup "rolling poll" of 250

reistered voters interviewed

ech night. Its four-day rolling

aerage recently showed 43

pr cent for Mr Bush and 57

pr cent for Mr Clinton after

rallocating "don't knows".

The latest poll, based on fildwork up to last Saturday.

rurowed Mr Clinton's lead to

The Greenberg poll early on nn a "split-ballot" test com-

paring the effect of asking a

sraight Bush versus Clinton

cuestion of half the sample

and the presidential/vice-pres-

idential choice of the other

half. This test gave a 5 to 6 per

cent advantage to the Demo-

crats as a result of voters being put off by the reminder of Dan

Quayle's presence on Mr Bush's ticket. The Greenberg

poll concluded that it was the

man in the White House who

would count in people's minds at the ballot box, and that its Bush or Clinton polling meth-

od would give the most pre-

system, one eye must be kept

on the state-by-state results, as

the results in each state deter-

mine the outcome. Polls in

California, which has 54 elec-

toral votes (270 are needed

nationally to win), show that

Mr Clinton still enjoys a wide

lead. But in the swing states of Florida (25 electoral votes). Ohio (21), New Jersey (15)

and Mr Quayle's home state

of Indiana (12) the race is

getting closer.

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dictable result.

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Polls show Clinton

support peaked

Republican campaign tactics are beginning to narrow the Democratic lead, Robert Worcester writes

bleaker still. He is not only being hammered in the Midwestern "battleground" states. but trails in such Republican bastions as Texas, Colorado, Florida, Georgia and North Carolina. "We're ahead in so many states, we don't know which ones to target," said a

top Clinton aide.

The \$20 billion (£11.7 billion) in tax relief Mr Bush promised small businesses on Wednesday brought to \$165 billion the breaks he has pledged. But the more largesse he dispenses, and the more promises he makes, the more he appears to feed public cynicism. In almost the same breath, Mr Bush berates Congress for rejecting a constitu-tional amendment to balance

the budget.

The confusion that would be caused by Ross Peror's re-entry could represent Mr Bush's best hope of becoming competitive, though equally it could lose him Texas and Florida. Mr Perot, it emerged vesterday, has had not one but yesterday, has had not one but two private meetings with James Baker, Mr Bush's campaign manager, this month. The Texas billionaire is negotiating an appearance early next week on CNN's Larry King Live, the nightly chat-show he has used for past announcements. Mr Perot's state campaign managers will meet him in Dallas soon and

Republican camp four years

there now. Both the poll by

CBS/New York Times and the

Florida Opinion Poll showed a 4 to 6 per cent Clinton lead.

If Mr Bush loses Florida, he

The Ohio result of a 1 per cent Clinton lead (CBS-NYT)

will focus political attention on

that state because, throughout

August, polls showed a 10 per

Jersey, another populous state,

was won by the Republicans in

1988 but at the moment still leans firmly to the Democrats.

The shocker for the vice-

president is that the latest poll

there, for the Fort Wayne

Journal-Gazette, shows the

two campaigns level-pegging.

If Mr Quayle cannot deliver

his own home state to the

Republican ticket, which he represented in the Senate, he

is a political dead loss to the

Bush campaign. Texas (32

electoral votes) is also a closer race at the moment than the

Republicans would like, espe-

cially with millionaire Ross

Perot still on the ballot paper.

the ballot in some 20 states is

still problematic. Survey tests

indicate he could be a spoiler

in close races, on balance

hurting Mr Clinton slightly more than Mr Bush except in

such old Confederate states as

Virginia and Mississippi. In

Texas, 30 per cent of those polled say they still prefer Mr Perot to either Mr Clinton or

Mr Bush, who claims Texas as

his home state. If Mr Perot's

votes are discounted in Texas.

it reverses a 49 per cent Bush 59 per cent Clinton cliffhang-

er to 51 per cent Bush 49 per

It is a safe bet that Texas

Florida and Ohio will see a lot

of the presidential campaign-

ers in the remaining weeks of

Robert M. Worcester is chair

man of Mori and a visiting

professor of government at the London School of Economics

and Political Science.

the election

cent Clinton. It's that close.

The effect of his presence on

mystery. The Bush campaign is wooing his Texan support-

Increasingly desperate, the Bush camp is also embarking on a huge, mainly negative advertising campaign, kicking off with its first commercial directly attacking Mr Clinton. Speeded-up film clips show the Arkansas governor merrily signing bills raising taxes on mobile homes, beer, groceries, cable television and other items beloved of Southern white blue-collar "bubbas". The commercial ends with the question: "Guess where he'll get the money from?".

A new Clinton commercial shows Mr Bush promising 30 million new jobs in 1988 and notes: "He's 29 million short". Clinton aides suggest they will counter any Republican ad-vertisement attacking Mr Clinton's draft record with one challenging Mr Bush over the

Anthony Howard, page 14



Words of advice: Amy Fisher, 18, listening to her lawyer, Eric Naiburg, after she pleaded guilty in a Nassau court to assault over the shooting and wounding of the wife of Joseph Buttafuoco, her alleged lover. Fisher will be sentenced in December. Prosecutors said their attention was now focused on Mr Buttafuoco

Boy's 'divorce' case stirs debate on family

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN NEW YORK

A COURT case in which a 12- for custody of the child. The year-old boy is seeking to divorce" his parents opened in Florida yesterday, making legal history and adding fuel to the bitter political debate over family values in America. Gregory Kingsley is de-manding a separation from his natural parents whom he accuses of neglect and abuse so that he can be adopted by

the foster family he has lived

with for almost a year.

His mother. Rachel Kingsley, denies abusing the boy and claims that poverty forced her to give him up, but only on the understanding that the the understanding that she could reclaim him later. She now wants her son back; she says he has been dazzled by the lavish life-style provided by his foster father. George Russ, a wealthy Florida lawyer. Gregory's natural father, Ralph Kingsley, a former alcoholic long separated from his wife, is not contesting the action and says he believes his son would be happier with his foster naments.

foster parents.

The judge in the case yester-day rejected a last-minute offer from Mrs Kingsley to move to Florida and undergo intensive family couselling for a oneyear trial period in exchange

boy's lawyers dismissed the offer earlier as a "ploy". Gregory has spent only sev-

en months out of the past eight years with his mother and he contends in his action that Mrs Kingsley's history of cru-elty and neglect makes her an unfit mother. His lawyers will also cite the fact that last month the man Mrs Kingsley lives with was charged with assault after he attacked her in front of her two other sons and broke her arm. Mrs Kingsley says she fell down stairs. In a television documentar

on the case broadcast last between his mother and father, various foster families and state institutions until last October, when Mr Russ found him in a centre for abused boys and took him into his own large family.

Conservative groups, and Mrs Kingsley's lawyers, say that if Gregory's action is successful, that effectively will enable other children to

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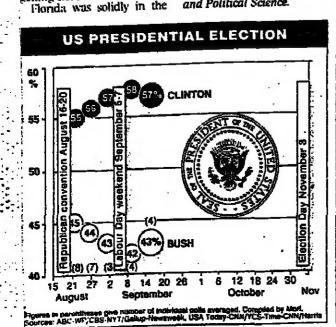


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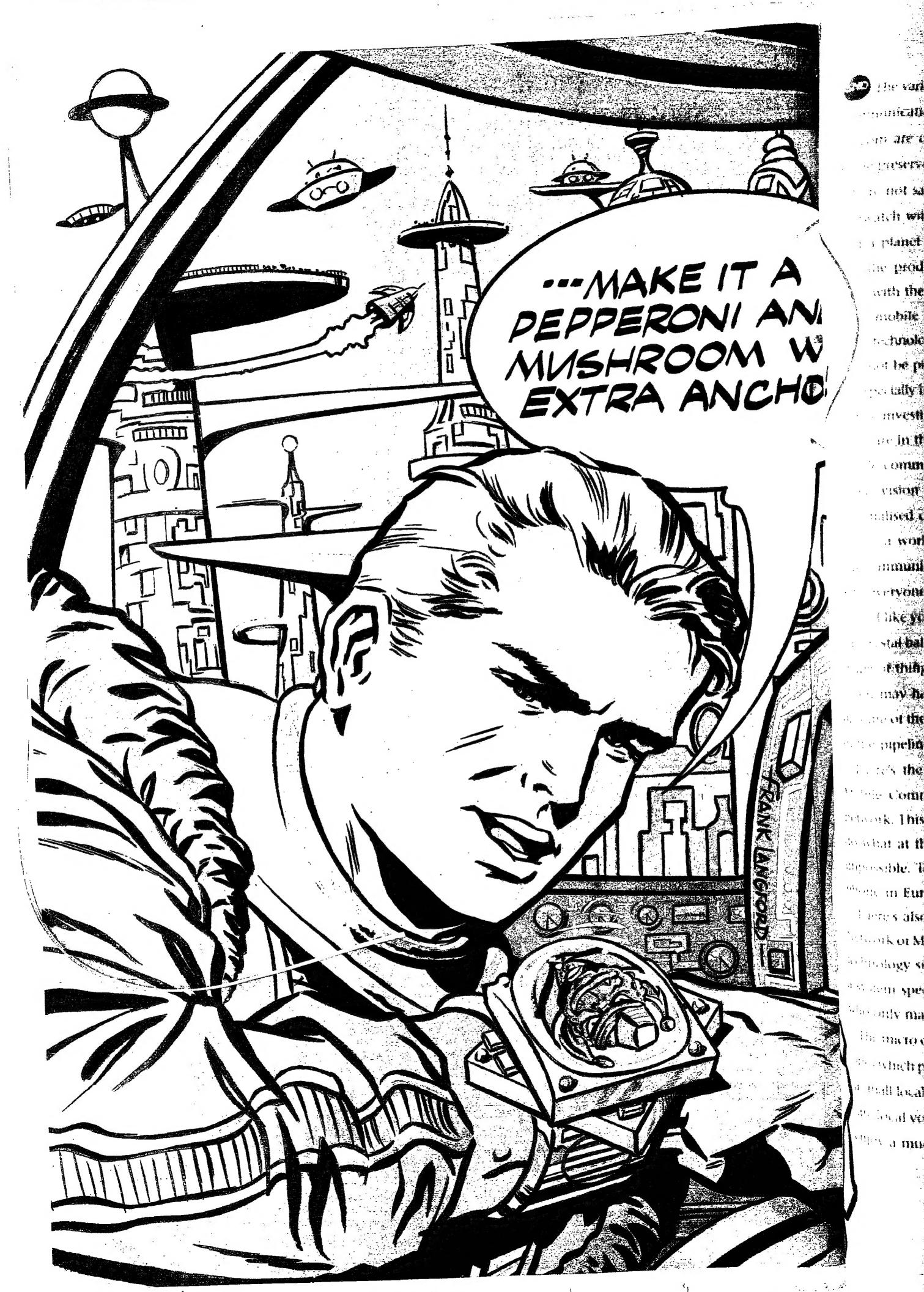
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Delors puts treaty vote behind him and sets sights on Elysée



Delors: has set up new

THE Eurocrat may have eclipsed Messrs Saddam Hussein and Milosevic in the league of villainy this week. but the unpopularity of the species has not prevented the rision of a future President Delors from looming over

Four days after his Brussels job was saved by the votes of haif a million fellow citizens. the of the European Commission in effect threw his hat into the race for a chance to take over from President Mitter-rand yesterday. M Delors announced the creation of a group that will serve as his power base within the govern-

ing party.

M Mitterrand says that he is determined to stay for the final three years of his term, but his illness and the political upheaval of the referendum have unleashed mutiny and a bout

As speculation grows that President Mitterrand will retire soon, the battle for the succession swings into gear, writes **Charles Bremner from Paris**

of presidential ambition in the the band of tired contenders Socialist and Gaullist parties, the two main political formations. Speculation remains intense over the possibility that M Mitterrand, who has served for 11 years, could retire before the end of the year, ahead of parliamentary elections due next March. Opinion polls conducted on

Sunday indicated that M Delors, a former finance minister in M Mitterrand's first term, would beat all comers if presidential election were held now. The figure was, as much as anything, an indica-

Lionel Jospin, who served as Socialist leader and education minister. This month's fashionable loathing for arrogant Eurocrats has not afflicted M Delors, but sceptics doubt that, with his hot temper, he can sustain his popularity. who have been jostling for the With the political cards retop job for almost two decades.

M Delors is heading for a challenge to Michel Rocard,

foreign trade minister, and

shuffled in the bitter referendum campaign. Pierre Bérègovoy, M Mitterrand's avuncular prime minister, is also reported to be preparing a run for the candidature. Although he has been criticised by lorry drivers, the unemployed and other protesting groups since he took office in the spring. M Bérégovoy has managed to project an image of a man of the people. As the author of France's economic austerity in the 1980s, he also has support of the business classes. The referendum served to reinforce the decay of the Socialists' base and speed their probable break-up into a liberal-Christian Democrat movement, which could raily around M Delors, and a social democrat and ecologist tendency that would back M Rocard. From being the biggest party in the 1980s, the Socialists are now supported by only one in five voters and are expected to lose heavily in the parliamentary elections.

Its old left wing is on the verge of attaching itself to Jean-Pierre Chevenement. The former defence minister led the dissident "no" campaign in the referendum and was threatened with expulsion yesterday. He disowned his fellow Socialists on Wednesday, saying that the govern-ment had abandoned the workers and the poor and taken the side of "rentiers who

grow rich in their sleep, stockbrokers and speculators".

On the other side, Jacques Chirac, head of the neo-Gaullist RPR party and frontrunner as opposition candidate, is fighting to preserve his authority over a party that largely disobeyed his call for a 'yes" vote on Maastricht. M Chirac, the mayor of Paris and a former prime minister, won a heavy vote of confidence at a party council on Wednesady night, but Philippe Seguin and Charles Pasqua, the two dissident barons who opposed Maastricht, refused to attend

and their knives are our Power in future elections, it seems, will go to the party or the man who best bridges the gulf between the "two Frances" that the referendum differentiated so sharply.

Battle for franc, page 19



Guigou: is sponsoring Delors' new fan club

Envoys try to prevent 'ethnic cleansing'

Bosnia and Croatia sign defence pact

By Tim Judah in belgrade and Our Foreign Staff

Owen, the peace envoys of the international community, are to visit the Serb city of Banja Luka in northen Bosnia today as diplomatic efforts to bring the war to an end appear close to collapse.

In New York Aliia Izethegovic, the Bosnian president, signed a defence accord with Franjo Tudjman, his Croatian counterpart, while Serb leaders said that now was the time to take the future into their own hands.

Mr Vance, the United Nations envoy, and Lord Owen, the European Community's mediator, are to visit Banja Luka to try to forestall the "ethnic cleansing" of Muslims and Croats from the city. Banja Luka has long been a citadel of the most hardline of Bosnian Serb leaders. Jet fighters bequeathed by the Yugoslav Air Force to the Rosnian Serbs can fly bombing runs from Banja Luka secure now that the UN has put off a decision about a "nofly zone" in Bosnia.

lims have been "ethnically cleansed" from villages and

small towns around Banja Luka but the majority of its Muslims — and some Croats - remain in their homes.

It has been announced from Banja Luka that the parliaments of the self-proclaimed Serbian republics in Bosnia and the breakaway enclaves in Croatia were to call for a referendum on union. The union of the two Serb enclaves is the first step to what Serb politicians call a Union of Serbian Lands. Out of deference to those Montenegrins, who do not count themselves as Serbs, such a state is likely to retain the name of

On Wednesday, Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb leader, said that if a Bosnian confederation of all three of the republic's nationalities did not materialise "then I think we should look at a Union of Serbian Lands".

The rump state of Yugoslavia was thrown out of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) based in eral Assembly earlier in the week. The IAEA — the United

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Nations' nuclear safety watchdog - passed a resolution at its annual general conference suspending Yugoslavia from the current meeting and de-manding that it reapply for membership. But IAEA officials said the rump Yugoslavia could continue to work with the agency at a practical level

while the membership issue Nato offer: After a meeting in Brussels, Nato has offered to provide headquarters staff and expertise to guarantee effective command and control of the 6,000 additional troops being sent to Bosnia-Herzegovina as UN food convoy escorts.

Britain is to give another £7.5 million to victims of the war in former Yugoslavia, Baroness Chalker, the overseas development minister said yesterday. This will bring Britain's total humanitarian assistance to more than £35 million. The money will also pay for medical supplies worth £330,000 donated through the World Health Organis-Lady Chalker visits Bosnia next week.

MULTIYORK

French flood toll nears 80

the almost anointed candidate

of the party that M Mitterrand

founded led to power in 1981.

gurated early next month,

with the support of Martine

Aubry, his daughter and em-

ployment minister, Bernard

Kouchner, the popular hu-

manitarian action minister,

Elisabeth Guigou, the Euro-

pean affairs minister, Domi-nique Strauss-Kahn, the

M Delors' group, called the 'Witness Club", is to be inau-

FROM THIERRY CAYOL

WITH hopes of finding more survivors dimming, rescue officials yesterday feared that nearly 80 people died in this week's fierce storms and flash floods in southeast France.

"Technically there is no chance of finding anybody else alive," Yves Cavalier, head of the rescue operation in Vaison-la-Romaine, the worst affected town, said.

Some 33 people were killed and at least 43 are missing after rivers in the Ardèche. Drome and Vaucluse regions burst their banks on Tuesday. The floods devastated towns and campsites, sucked up vehicles and hurled them over submerged bridges. Onlookers watched horrified as people trapped in cars and caravans waved helplessly.

One pedestrian crossing the old Roman bridge in Vaison when the floods struck chung to a road sign for three hours before being torn away. An exhausted mother fighting the current dropped her baby and watched him drown.

In Vaison alone, 21 people were killed and at least 30 houses and a campsite were destroyed. Telephone and homes were gradually being restored yesterday. (Reuter)



Off the road: rescue workers at Vaison-la-Romaine yesterday inspecting the wreckage of a British-registered car left high and dry by Tuesday's flash floods

Pressure increases on Gaidar

FROM ANNE MCELVOY

HARDLINERS in the Russian Supreme Soviet vowed yesterday that they would pursue a no-confidence motion against Yegor Gaidar, the acting prime minister, after failing to force a vote in the opening days of the new

Mr Gaidar, whose tough reforms have incurred the wrath of the industrial lobby, as well as nationalists claiming that he is selling out Russia to the West, came under heavy pressure yester-day to alter the course of his-

reforms. The rouble fell for the second time in a week yesterday following a slump on Tuesday. Lithuania announced yesterday that it would replace the rouble with coupons due to fears that the Russian economy is about to

be overwhelmed. The popularity of Stalin is rising as hardships worsen, Moskovskaya Pravda said yesterday. Nearly half of those polled said they regarded Sta-lin as a great leader compared with 28 per cent last year. Two-thirds said that socialism was a superior system.

Romanians hope for change after polls

FROM ADAM LEBOR IN BUCHAREST

IN THE network of subterranean passages that criss-cross **Bucharest's University Square** pedlars hawk American cigarettes, cold drinks, snacks and newspapers. This is capitalism in embryonic form.

But as Romania lumbers towards a free-market economy it still has not shaken off the shackles of the communist past. The walkways into the metro station are strewn with litter, and are ill-lit - a legacy of the infrastructure under the Ceausescu dictatorship.

A year ago tear gas billowed across University Square, the bloody focus of the 1989 revolution, as police battled hundreds of miners from the Jiu valley. That fight is now long over but its reverberations still continue as Roma-nia tries to rebuild its economy and repair its image.

Most of the commuters hurry past the plethora of stalls. Western goods such as Camel cigarettes were luxury items under the Ceausescu regime. But now that they are available they are economically out of reach. With an average wage of 20,000 lei (less than £30) a month, and 2.2lb of meat costing 1,000 lei, it is hard to spare 400 lei for a bottle of soft drinks.

Revitalising the Romanian economy will be a long haul since President Iliescu's National Salvation Front government is seen by many, both here and in the West, as still exhibiting communist tendencies. The rioting miners, too, scared off Western investment.

However, expectations are high that after elections at the weekend life will improve. The opposition, in particular, is hoping that the front will be defeated and that the next president will be Emil Constantinescu, the candidate of the Democratic Convention.

In Bucharest at least, signs growth are evident with shops and cafes opening up. Foreign car manufacturers have set up showrooms and both Pepsl and Coca-Cola have invested heavily. Perhaps the best sign that Romania is coming in from the cold is a Michael Jackson concert planned for October 1.

 Gypsy accord: Germany and Romania yesterday reached an agreement on the deportation of tens of thousands of asylum seekers, many of them gypsies, back to Romania. Up to August this year more than 57,000 Romanians sought refuge in

NEWS IN BRIEF

Pretoria refusing to budge

rican government has refused to give in to the African National Congress's demands political prisoners without some agreement on an amnesty for crimes committed by state officials under apartheid (Michael Hamlyn writes).

Talks have continued over some two weeks between Cyril Ramaphosa, the ANC secre-tary-general, and Roelf Mey-er, the constitutional development minister, on the ANC's demands for substantial progress on the issue before Nelson Mandela, its president, can join President de Kierk for talks to discuss township violence.

Admirals go

Washington: Two US Navy admirals resigned and a third is to be reassigned in the wake of a Pentagon report accusing them of "fumbling" a report into alleged sexual misconduct at a pilots' convention. (AFP)

Ring smashed

Rome: Italian counter-intelligence, following a tip in Rude Kravo (Red Cow), the Pt magazine, has smashed a Czechoslovak spy ring allegedly run in Italy by the former wife of an Italian diplomat.

Collor loses

Rio de Janeiro: President Col-lor de Mello of Brazil, lacing impeachment for corruption. has suffered a serious defeat. The supreme court has rejected his appeal for a secret ballot in Congress on a petition to suspend him.

Hostage freed

Tegucigalpa: Oriando Ordon-ez, a former Honduran rebel. freed Luis Fishmann, the Costa Rican interior minister, here and flew to Mexico. Ear-lier, he had freed a police chief and a bishop he had held hostage. (AFP)

Back in office

Hanok Vo Van Kiet, 69, Vietnam's reformist prime minister, the sole candidate, has been re-elected by the national assembly for a five-year term. (Reuter)

337.35

War threat

Moscow: Georgia's state council threatened to start a "real war" if its ultimatum for the withdrawal by today df south Russian armed groups from the rebel region of Ab-khazia is ignored. (Reuter)

Husain home

Amman: Jordanians gave a thunderous welcome to King Husain, 57, when he returned to a banner-bedecked capital after undergoing cancer sur-gery in America.

Germans charge spymaster with treason

M arkus Wolf, East Ger-many's former spymaster, was charged yesterday with treason on 12 counts relating to his work over three decades at the head of one of the world's most successful intelligence networks.

The news that the federal authorities finally have pinned something on Herr Wolf two years after unification will be received with grudging enthusiasm by their security networks. On the one hand, there remains an appetite for revenue against the man who, in the admission of one senior officer of the Bundesnachrichtendienst (Germany's external counter-espionage ageny) reduced it and the domestic service, the Verfassungschutz to "two large Swiss cheeses". On the other, there are fears that, once in the dock, Herr Wolf could embarass the government by revealing hitherto undeclared successes.

One of the charges brought against Herr Wolf is that he ran Gunther Guillaume, the spy who rose to become the personal assis-tant of Willy Brandt while he was chancellor and whose disclosure caused Herr Brandt to fall from power in 1974. His agents were con-

sidered some of the best in the communist world and he also managed to convince many West Germans to spy for him, including legions of lonely secretaries in Bonn's ministries and party headquarters. He wooed them with a team of "Casanova agents" - who were planted as suitors to entangle them in espionage using seduction and blackmail.

A suave 69-year-old bon viveur with a liking for chess, fine wool suits and literary conversation, he grew up in a communist family - his father was the playwright Friedrich Wolf.

The family emigrated to Moscow during the Third Reich. He grew up speaking both German and Russian and identifying himself with both countries. both countries. On the eve of unification, he fied to Moscow to avoid

arrest. There he enjoyed the protection of Vladimir Kruchkov, head of the KGB. When Mr Kruchkov was arrested as the ringleader-of the failed coup, Herr Wolf was left without support. The new masters in the Kremlin made it clear that they would no longer extend protective hospitality towards him and he gave himself up last September.

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Tripped up at the worst time

The government has been shaken to its foundations, writes Peter Riddell

he political scene looked startlingly transformed yesterday. Instead of a selfconfident prime minister loudly cheered by his own supporters crushing an ineffective leader of the opposition and his dispirited troops, the roles were reversed. John Major came out fighting for a pro-European stance, but he failed to convince many of his own backbenchers whose faces reflected their own doubts about the direction of government policy. By contrast, John Smith fulfilled all his party's hopes in a powerful Commons debut as Labour leader as he ridiculed the twists and turns of the past formight. And, in the background, there was the end of the David Mellor saga which has distracted the prime minister and sapped his authority at the worst

Mr Smith, of course, will seldom have an easier task than yesterday.
Mr Major and Norman Lamont resurface at the party conference

are having to eat volumes of words they have uttered over the past two years about the vir-The Mellor saga has tues of the exchange rate mechdistracted anism (ERM) and the prime quences of any aiternative, the cutminister and-run option of a floating pound as the Chancellor said and sapped only a few weeks ago. Yesterday's dehis power bate showed that the forced exit from and authority

has shaken the foundations of the government's economic strategy and foreign policy. Having to defend a reversal of policy and to lose a close friend from the cabinet within a few hours will leave its scars. The prime minister will not easily or quickly rebuild his power

Mr Major's difficulty is that his whole premiership has rested on his claims to heal the rifts of the later Thatcher years over the ERM and Europe. These divisions have now re-opened. Unlike the Thatcher era, the differences are being aired in the Cabinet itself, which as Michael Heseltine said this week, with evident feeling, is now no rubber stamp. By all accounts, there have been lively meetings.

The majority of the Cabinet, led by Mr Heseltine, Douglas Hurd and Kenneth Clarke, believe that sterling's suspension from the ERM should only be temporary, preferably a few months, and that the bill ratifying the Maastricht treaty should not be abandoned. The minority, including Michael Howard, Peter Lilley and, to a lesser extent, Michael Portillo. believe the current opportunity should be used to establish a more detached position within the EC. moved to make the best of life after

the ERM. In combative form yesterday Mr Major aligned himself with the majority of the Cabinet over Maastricht, to the evident displeasure of the more lervent anti-treaty Tories. His conditions, requiring a clarifi-

cation of the Danish attitude and implementation of specific EC criteria to limit the scope of Brussels intervention in the life of member states, can probably be achieved. But, in a careful balancing act, Mr Major took account of the views of the minority when he was vaguer about when sterling will return to the ERM and about what is needed to make the mechanism work in a way acceptable to Britain.

For all the warnings yesterday by Mr Major and Mr Lamont that life outside the ERM would not be easy, that risks would not be taken with inflation and that public spending would be kept under firm control, the government remains vulnerable to the charge that it has changed economic policy. There is a risk of faster growth in the shortto-medium term and a squeeze in 994-95. Whatever happens, Mr Major faces divisions within his

> early next month. Beyond that, his hope must be that the EC summits Birmingham, mid-October, and burgh, in mid-December, will put the Community back on course with a new emphasis on a more decentralised EC making possible broadly acceptable version of the Maastricht bill this

winter or spring. The danger is that Mr Major's attempt to find a middle way will fail, that he will be forced to take sides, against a group of his own backbenchers, and possibly some members of his own Cabinet. A nightmare parallel for him is the experience of Arthur Balfour, a similarly skilful tactician who took over 90 years ago as Tory leader, after another long-serving prime minister and who faced a deep split over free trade versus protection. His attempts to resolve the dispute led to the departure from his cabinet both of the leading free traders headed by the Duke of Devonshire and of the tariff reformers led by Joseph Chamberlain, which contributed to the collapse of his government in 1905. Mr Major does not face such serious divisions yet, but he will need all his skills at managing his cabinet over the bumpy few weeks

Mr Major and Mr Lamont's current position is similar to that of the Wilson government after the 1967 devaluation. Then also there was a hill for a few days immediately after the announcement when ministers pretended everything was all right before the seriousness of the setback became apparent.

Lord Jenkins of Hillhead notes in his A Life at the Centre: "a spuriously good face was being put on a major national defeat. A long and desperate stand is not compatible with treating the subsequent retreat as being of little importance." The current government will also pay a high price, economically and politically, for the events

of the past 10 days.

Bill Westwood praises the courage of David Mellor who went down fighting

he English don't care for those who have "got on". The Welsh, Scots and Irish take a different view, as do most other nationalities. We therefore take a certain pleasure if our leaders are found out in peccadillo or error and we will believe things about them that we would never for a moment accept as the truth about

our friends and neighbours. Once again a fit of public morality led by the tabloid press has brought down a minister. David Mellor's resignation last night must make us ponder the exacting demands we make upon our leaders and ask ourselves whether it is not the readers and editors with their prurient interest in his private life who are really devaluing stan-dards in public life.

Often our own failings are faintly dull and our excitements muted: theirs must be exotic - Chelsea strip, toes and whips. This enjoyment of the feet of clay contributes towards our fond assertion that they are no better than anyone else and certainly they are no better than us. As we read of King Edward VIII, John Profumo or, in the past few weeks, David Mellor, a sense of self-satisfaction glows in the English heart: I told you so. Add this to what Macaulay called

When the fun ran out "the British public in one of its periodical fits of morality" and we have an explosive mixture, needing only to be stirred and then ignited.

mined to bring Mr Mellor down. The more suspicious among us will recollect that lurking among Mr Mellor's varied responsibilities was that for newspapers. He was waiting for David Calcutt's committee to advise him on the need for a privacy law, and he warned of what might come. He told the editors that they were drinking in "the last chance" saloon. Naturally they were hell-bent on getting him to the bar and out into the street first. We cannot blame them. If they could destabilise Mr Mellor and his department, then his successor might well be reluctant to take on those aspects of press abuse which have so far escaped the Press Council and the Press Complaints Commission. Of course they stir the

The wielders of the spoon were, of course, the editors of the tabloid

newspapers who seemed deter-

The backbenchers of the Conser-



Macaulay: mocked hypocrisy

vative Party assembled the kindling. The prime minister lit the march. We have given way to shoddy forces in our national life to envy and curiosity, to the doubtful moral attitude of a country without religion, and to vendetta. But what has become of our innate fairness

which says "enough is enough"? Mr Mellor has been foolish, and has admitted as much. He enjoyed office. He believed in mixing fun.

with power, but forgot that the 1960s are long gone His track record in office was solid. His handling of the intricacies and rivalries leading up to the broad-casting bill showed a firm touch. In his recent besieged state he exhibited an admirable courage and selfassurance. The fact that he managed to hold his pugilistic instincts in check after so much provocation from the media should be counted for righteousness.

The real, indeed the only, question, which should have been asked about Mr Mellor is the one about his abilities and effectiveness as a minister and member of Cabinet. As a nation we employed him ; we did not buy him.

His sexual failings are the concern of Mrs Mellor and their children alone. The wisdom of his holiday arrangements are the business of the prime minister and the Cabinet secretary. If Mrs Mellor feels that the one has destroyed their marriage, that is a tragedy it always is. If Mr Major feels that

unfit for office, that is a sadness as the country is not over-stocked just now with men of talent. However, our prurient curiosity, which newspaper editors under-stand better than professional noralists, hardly qualifies us to say that Mr Mellor has let us down morally Let himself down, yes, Let Mrs Mellor down, yes. But, let us down - really! Our record as thieves, our divorce rate, our illegitimacy fig-ures, our level of crime, our delight in lies and gossip hardly qualify us as moral arbiters.

I would have hoped that Mr Mellor might have behaved differently as I would hope that everyone; in the nation might behave differ-ently. He was foolish. He said that he was sorry.

That he has had to resign because the public perception of him somehow or other might damage the party is dangerous. It is time that public relations principles: ceased to govern our public life. I, wish that Mr Major had stood fast, There is a Spanish proverbi-"Take what you like," says God, "and pay for it". I think that Mf Mellor has paid more than

The author is Bishop

A presidential pillow fight

America's real issues are being ignored, says Anthony Howard

The first US presidential election for which I had a which brought John F. Kennedy to office over 30 years ago. There ought, I keep telling myself, to be affinities between that contest and the present one. Bill Clinton is, after all, barely older than Jack Kennedy was in 1960. like his forerunner he is trying to end a substantial period of Republi-can rule in the White House and. moreover, he can claim also to share with his predecessor a certain distain for the more traditional tenets of American liberalism.

But somehow the analogy never quite works out. The contrasts, in fact, outweigh the similarities. Take the question of personality first. For all his charm, Governor Clinton remains a much less sharply defined politician than Senator Kennedy was at the equivalent stage of his career. And maybe the distinction in their respective titles - and political backgrounds - tells us something about that.

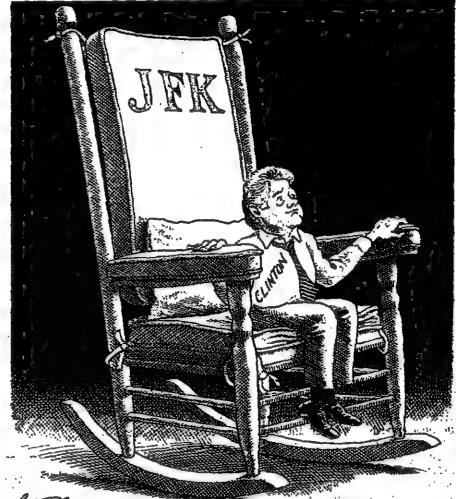
In 1960 it was generally accepted that the entire future of presidential politics would lie with members of the Senate (indeed, that year's election was fought between two senators on one side and two exsenators on the other). The days when worthy men, like Woodrow Wilson and Franklin Roosevelt, could vault straight from governors' mansions in New Jersey or New York straight into the White House had, we were assured, gone for good. A modern president required greater and wider experience of the world than that provided by the pork-barrel politics of the

nation's various state houses. Yet what has happened? Suddenly gubernatorial presidential candidates have bounded back into fashion again. Ronald Reagan came to the presidency - after a brief period as a private citizen from the governership of California: more than that, both Bill

Clinton and his immediate predecessor as Democratic standard-bearer, Michael Dukakis, secured their successive nominations from their party solely on the basis of their executive experience in charge of much smaller states. The same, for that matter, went for the last Democrat actually to occupy the White House, Jimmy Carter. His only credentials for gaining the nation's highest office rested on his record as a one-term governor of

Georgia Why, then, did the pundits and constitutional prophets of 30 years ago get it so wrong? The answer, I suspect, provides one clue to the nature of the present campaign. What has taken - and it has happened gradually and imperceptibly enough for it to have escaped being widely noticed - is the total professionalisation of the American presidential process. How to become president has become in effect a small cottage in-

dustry of its own. best on the job training for aspiring presidential candidates, it is for a very good and practical reason. The individual states, after all, control the rulebooks for the fouryearly contest - when primaries should be held, what number of states should participate in a conclusive and crushing super Tuesday, the way in which convention delegates can be split, even the ethnic and gender representation that should be regarded as appropriate. It is, therefore, hardly surprising that state governors should have emerged as the new kings of



If state governorships provide the the castle. Bill Clinton, with his 12year record as governor or Arkansas behind him, is as much a product of the new system as John Kennedy, with his 14-year legisla-tive background on Capitol Hill,

was of the old. Yet, paradoxically, the new professional players are not the allround reperformers their predecessors were. A state governor. for example, does not even feel required to sound particularly au fait with foreign policy and Mr Clinton himself does not claim to be any exception. Even on a live contemporary issue, such as the

creation of a North American Free Trade Agreement, he still simply cheerfully maintains that he has not, yet had time to read the proposed treaty. Compare and contrast as the exam papers say. the stand which Kennedy took against the French and in favour of the FLN on Algeria in the 1950s for no better reason than he felt it to be part of his responsibilities to

hold a view. It is not all that different when it comes to domestic policies either. A good example here is provided by the question of health care. Everyone knows that the current ar-

provision in the United States are a mess. Yet is suits neither the president nor his challenger to spelf out precise, costed proposials for reform - George minus for the Republicans anyway and Bill Clinton for the perhaps less credit able reason that he does not wish to alienate any part of the constituency that he hopes will ulti-

White House. It is hard to resist the conclusion that in this election the voters are confronting the cost of "dip-stick leadership" didate will risk taking a position on anything without first having the polisters test out the acceptability of what he is proposing to say. The inevitable result is a contest possessing all the mulfied impact of a pillow fight — with an audience looking on that, if not actively bored, is largely

ndifferent. What I still recall, above all from the 1966 election is the air of urgency and energy that Kennedy bought to his campaign not always admittedly, by scrupulous means. There

never was "a missile gap" and, like many others at the time, he almost certainly was inclined to overestimate the Soviet economic and scientific challenge. But at least he made the voters feel that the decision they had to take was a

momentous one. Bill Clinton, by contrast, seems almost content to rest his case on the simple, obvious fact that he is not George Bush. As a tactic it may be just enough to do the trick for him on polling day. But what it will prove to have done for the vitality of the American electoral process is quite another question.

...and moreover

do believe that, in a reversal of our normal roles which at L leat one of us finds deeply unsettling, the world is trying to tell me something.

Not the whole world, mind: just the part that coughs. The part that gnaws its knuckle on public transport, gets glared at in restaurants, shouted at in shops, and sneered at in general; that finds itself being sharply reminded by boot-faced toastmasters that Her Majesty has not yet been toasted; that leaves its seat halfway through a film, stands out in the rain for a bit, then comes back in and asks its companion what's been happening so that everyone else can point out that some of them have come here to see the picture. And since, the more eleaguered it becomes, the more it sees itself as an oppressed minority, it does what all such victims do: it forms protest movements, lobby groups, and catchy acronyms, and sets out to buttonhole hacks in the name of justice.

Now, this part of the world is itself split into three distinct subdivisions: for, as with most dissidents, they have been forced by the need for common strength to join common cause, when each would prefer to hoe its own little row. Let us call these three the Popular Front for the Liberation of Cigarettes, the Ad Hoc Pipe Solidarity Collective, and the Cigar Volunteer Force, and then let us wonder why, by what cannot be coincidence, representatives of each wrote to me on Wednesday. Clearly, they are up to something: possibly, this being the season, they have held some

kind of covert national confer-ence, where after frank and free discussions between delegates of the PFLC, the AHPSC, and the CVF, they agreed that they were a broad church, and decided. nem con, that they should all now move forward as one, brothers, let us call it the Big Push, hang on brother chair, wouldn't Autumn Offensive sound better, excuse me, through the chair, some of us fancy Action Now, very well then. all agreed, it is the Big Autumn Offensive Action Push Now, next motion, I say we offer David Mellor a weekend in Benidorm, does he smoke, does it matter. well I say we write to Arnold Coren, is it, start small, work up.

catch my drift? The first letter I opened was an free to light up only when and where Brussels dictates. Uncannily. I smelt more than fag-smoke here, and instantly binned the

invitation to a free meal in the Rooftop Lounge of the Norfolk Hotel, Brighton. That there is no such thing as a free meal was instantly confirmed by the fact that the letter also had a photograph of Sir Rhodes Boyson on it. and when I read on to discover that Sir Rhodes would be addressing us on Anti-Smoking and the Threat of Euro-Nannyism, it occurred to me that there could well be nothing more expensive in this world that a meal in the Rooftop Lounge. Sir Rhodes, it seems, is going spare at the moment that post-Maastricht Britons will be

blighter, sidewhiskers and all. The second letter was more intriguing still. It came from The Pipesmokers' Council, and it announced that the short-list for the 1993 Pipesmoker of the Year had been narrowed to two. The Chairman did not tell me who the other one was, he wished merely to know whether, if elected, would be prepared to carry out the duties which went with this high office. As one of the things I would not be prepared to do was smoke a pipe (I bought one once. and it made my face hurt), the other contender would seem to be in with a chance. What I have not yet been able to fathom is how I even got on the long-list. Could the shag industry possibly be after anything?

Since acceptance might well mean travelling round the country with Rhodes Boyson, I binned this, too, and slit the third envelope. It held the first issue of a new magazine: fat. glossy. and titled Cigar Aficionado, it proved to be full of peculiarly pornographic pictures of stogies and bizarre articles concerning ash, smells, dogs that look good with cigars, restaurants which turn a blind eye if you chew the end off something and spit it on the carpet, and Jack Kennedy's Havaria habits as revealed to Pierre Salinger. It wanted me to publicise ir.

I find all this sudden collective activity, as I say. unsettling. Any day now, thugs in balaclavas will be axing down dogs' home doors and forcing beagles to smoke cheroots. So let me just say to such other agitproponents as may be planning to wheedle me to their banners, don't even think about it. One false move, and I'll stop smoking for good.

Keeping the wolf from the door

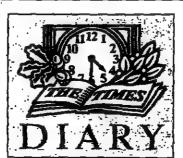
ONE of the most urgent tasks facing David Mellor, as he returned to the back benches last night, is to find alternative well paid employment. With his salary halving overnight Mellor, one of the least wealthy members of the Cabinet, will not be able to survive

as a mere backbencher. With a wife, Judith, who does not work, two children, and only a modest house in Putney, one attraction of clinging so stubbornly to office was clearly the £63,041 government salary. Having gone into government at the early age of 31 he never had time, unlike many of his colleagues, to make a fortune in the private sector before taking

high office. Mellor, who was called to the Bar in 1972, is almost certainly con-templating a return to the legal profession, although he has not paid his annual £800 subscription to the Bar for several years. He used to practise at 6 Pump Court, Inner Temple, in chambers headed by Bernard Hargrove, who is now a judge His name has long since been taken off the door plate. "I don't know if he is coming back," said one employee of the chambers. which specialises in common law. last night. "We must not say

anything. One senior lawyer said: "Of course he can go back to the bar. There is a convention that any barrister who becomes an MP, however rotten he may be, can become a QC".

However, Lord Williams, chairman of the Bar Council, was more generous and believes Mellor would be an asset to the profession. There is an infinite variety of different people practising at the Bar. David Mellor is a man of



great ability and intelligence. If he wants to return to the Bar he would tolerant and civilised place which will not pass judgment on him."

Survival techniques

TOO late for David Mellor but possibly in time to save Norman Lamont and John Major. Lord McAipine will next month publish his long-awaited handbook on how to survive in the cut-throat world of modern politics.

One of Lady Thatcher's closest advisers throughout the eighties, McAlpine takes as his model Machiavelli's The Prince to produce The Servant, a code of conduct for the modern politician. Dedicated to "the most magnificent Baroness Thatcher of Kesteven" and mostly written in the early 1980s. McAlpine's book is relevant to the

government's current difficulties. The root of political trouble, he writes, lies in the fact that "politicians are human but may not behave like other humans", a sentiment with which Mellor will readily identify. "The advice is very apposite to poor David Mellor." says McAlpine. "When I wrote it I had no idea he would be getting

into such trouble." The prime minister will also find McAlpine full of useful instruction. Every prince requires 'the Idea'," McAlpine writes. It matters little

what the Idea is: merely that it exists. "If the prince finds that after a time other men have frustrated his intention of carrying out his idea and so decided to change his idea then he must cease to be the prince". Let us hope the Idea was

The wise prince makes only one judgement on his servants: "Did you succeed?" If the answer is no, the servant must be sacrificed and might instead turn his hand to gardening, " a wonderful occupation for retired politicians". Whether Mellor has green fingers is not known but Lamont almost certainly does not, given the non-appearance of the much-promised green

shoots. Possibly he could learn. "The most famous garden in Su Chou was created by a Chinese chancellor of the exchequer . . . while temporarily retired from politics," McAlpine writes. "It is too late for Mellor but I think Lamont could find the book very useful."

■ Almost unnoticed, Neil Kinnock took his seat on the back benches for the first time in more than 13 years yesterday. Who did he chose to sit next to? Peter Mandelson, of course, the new MP for Hartlepool and architect of the red rose revolution which many Labour MPs say put presentation before policy and thus lost Labour the election. Kinnock obviously doesn't think so.

Biter bit

IT is not only at home that David Mellor's political enemies are rejoicing. In Israel, where they are celebrating the Jewish New Year. one individual in particular is delighted. He is the lieutenant-colonel who was berated by Mellor, then a junior foreign office minister, over the state of the Palestinian refugee camps during a visit to the Gaza Strip in January 1988. The incident caused an enormous row

and Margaret Thatcher left her tunior minister in no doubt as to her displeasure at his lack of judgement. The object of Mellor's wrath: is still a serving member of the laraeli army and as such cannot be identified or go on the record. But an Israeli army spokesman said: "His English is not totally fluent and although he wasn't able to reply he knew he was being insulted. Since then he has been promoted: to full colonel status — which, of course, had absolutely nothing to do with the Mellor incident".

Brum's chance

AMID all the excitement of yesterday John Major also announced that the Euro-summit will not beheld in London next month after all, but in Birmingham. Secrecy: surrounds the identity of whoever; had already booked the Queen Elizabeth Conference Centre. Downing Street's first choice. Máor, however, is not at all' dissapointed at the choice of Birmingham's International Convention Centre: it was built with an EC grant worth millions of Ecus.

● Who was "luckless Lucy", whom John Smith cited to such great effect during yesterday's Commons debate? She is Lucy Miller, a Downing Street political officer. and daughter of Sir Hal, the for-mer Tory MP. Major announced in a letter to the Forestry Trade Union on April 3, a few days before the general election, there is no: intention to privatise the forestly:

commission". To great giee Smith brandished. the follow-up reply to the union off. August 27. "You may be unaware that the commitment given by the Prime Minister on this matter was drafted incorrectly during the frenzied activity of the general election." Luckless Lucy wrote the:

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MELLOR AND MAJOR

The first announcement of David Mellor's has returned - ready to be refilled with resignation last night took just one line. This was the only part of the story whose scale matched its essentially modest import.

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It does matter a little who holds the heritage ministry. It does matter a little that a junior member of the Cabinet should lose his colleagues' confidence over a tawdry series of affairs and free holidays. But the fate of Mr Mellor ought not, by any reasonable standards, to matter much.

Yesterday, however, as the House of Commons debated the economy, as the prime minister struggled to re-establish his lost authority throughout the country, the most-uttered words at Westminster were: "When will Mellor go?". The answer came just before six o'clock, which had the useful effect, in Tory eyes, of driving Mr Major's own indifferent performance in the economic debate from the top of the early evening broadcast news. This sense of relief was understandable. But it will not last. It only underlined the current sense of a government stumbling from one moment of instant gratification to another.

Mr Major's main line of defence yesterday was to link the failure of his own policies with the support that those policies had previously been given by the Opposition.
The House was not a "debating chamber but an echo chamber," he sneered. He offered no new sense of government purpose beyond his more clearly expressed doubts about future exchange-rate mechanisms. He calmed the opposition of his own "Eurosceptics" but did little to reassure the country on another day of disastrous job losses at the heart of British industry.

The debate was a brutal reminder that barely two years ago the prime minister was but a blank face on the cartoonist's sketchpad, an unknown quantity in the public scales. Before last week he had successfully shaded himself some political character, that of a man more amenable to Chancellor Kohl than Margaret Thatcher had been, that of a man more clubbable on the jet-set summitty circuit, that of an ordinary man serving ordinary voters in an extraordinary job.

If his policies had been a solid success, he would still be defined by them. But they have not been. His attempt to craft a personality to put before the country has been undone. The blank hole behind the square glasses whatever political crayons lie at hand. That has been the reason why the fate of David Mellor has seemed so important this week. The prime minister's loyalty to his flawed personal friend has been as dogged as his devotion to his flawed economic course. That simple state of stubbornness has come to define him.

If a prime minister has more deep friendships around his Cabinet table than he has deeply rooted policies, he risks being judged by his choice of chums not by his achievements. Mr Mellor hardly helped Mr Major on Wednesday night by his doomed attempt to turn his fate as "fun minister" into a "who rules Britain?" parody of the Tory past. Newspaper editors certainly played their part in the exposure of the heritage secretary's private life. But it was presumptuous for Mr Mellor to elevate his plight into a clash over "who chooses the Cabinet?", the country's elected leader or the editor of The Daily Mail.

It was also extremely unhelpful to Mr Major, whose pride may still be his downfall. The Maastricht bill, the House was told, must be brought back for ratification sooner than expected, because he, John Major, had signed his name to it. A referendum, he said, could not be justified because the treaty won approval by his victory at the general election.

For the Labour Opposition in Parliament, still struggling to come to terms with its election defeat, yesterday was a sweet taste of things possibly to come. What a difference a change of leader makes! As soon as John Smith rose to his feet it was clear that the Conservative leader would never again be able to rely, as Mrs Thatcher under pressure always could, on the weak advocacy of the man across the aisle. Mr Smith deployed his forensic skills to batter Mr Major for lame excuses and absent apologies. He put his best points well, pointing out that to biame speculators for the run on the pound did nothing to explain why the pound was the

most vulnerable currency in the first place. The substance was less than the style. The Labour leader will never do mortal damage to the prime minister until he has a more coherent economic policy himself. But even lawyer's logic-chopping can cause harm to a prime minister who is still going backwards in his attempts to define who he really is.

A ROLLS-ROYCE SOLUTION

Too many people have thought of too many reason for not buying a Rolls-Royce. Apart from its unchallenged status as an official limousine, the Rolls marque now appeals more as a symbol of conspicuous luxury than because of the cars' intrinsic qualities. These remain superb but are no longer considered technically the best in the world. New "Rollers" have begun to be shunned by wealthy landowners and captains of industry, appealing instead to flambuoyant entrepreneurs and the newly rich.

No wonder the recession has hit the company badly. Sales this year will be less than half the peak of 3,300 reached in 1990 and little more than the annual average rate of production since 1904. Sales in Japan. which had become the fastest growing market as the stock market boomed there, have collapsed with share prices in Tokyo, demonstrating the new-found fragility of a customer base that was once the envy of rivals for its solidity. Competition has also grown, notably from the top models of Mercedes whose annual research and development budget exceeds the whole turnover of Rolls-Royce Motors.

Vickers, the engineering group that owns Rolls-Royce Motor Cars, has responded to the ensuing losses with the safety first mentality that is now the hallmark of British managers in the recessionary 1990s. Rather than chasing sales, it has cut costs to fit reduced circumstances, so that Rolls-Royce can make a profit on 1.400 cars a year, against 2,700 two years ago. It has more than halved the labour force, losing nearly 3,000 mostly highly-skilled jobs, but has greatly improved production methods.

Further ahead, this symbol of British

engineering quality is still in danger of becoming another symbol of its decline. The company has progressively retreated to a smaller and smaller niche in the market. That policy yielded high returns on capital for many years, but only, as in much of British industry, because the company did not invest enough capital in machinery, development and expansion. In the end, Rolls painted itself into a corner.

It is reduced to selling expensive dreams as much as functional motor cars. It must stretch aging model lines. It lacks the resources to build a new generation of products or to have the volume of sales needed to command component suppliers to spring to attention. Even among engineers, the "Rolls-Royce solution" is a by-word for an uneconomic quest for theoretical perfection that is no longer functional or acceptable.

Vickers knows that, once more normal conditions return, it must look for a bigger partner or even a new owner to take Rolls-Royce Motors into the next century. As the recession deepened, it abandoned talks with companies such as BMW and Toyota, which have the technical and financial resources to help Rolls catch up. That partner is unlikely to be British. It must however be acceptable to Rolls-Royce plc, the aero-engine group that owned the car firm until its predecessor went bust in 1971, and still owns the ultimate right to the priceless brand name.

Rolls-Royce will never compete with Ford. But if it is not to sink into the twilight as a mobile tourist attraction of Old England, it will need to study the market and produce cars that the wealthy will buy for their fitness for purpose, not for their name.

OPEN CRICKET

The cricket season has closed but the files remain open on its most contentious issue. The inertia, indifference or blind panic that has gripped the game's authorities in dealing with the problem of players "altering the condition of the ball" - their name for cheating -- seemed at last to have been relieved yesterday by some good, straightforward muscle. Surrey County Cricket Club was fined £1,000 for three reported instances of ball tampering.

Appearances, however, were deceptive. Nobody will identify the culprits or the methods used to gain an unfair advantage. The fine, imposed by a disciplinary panel of the Test and County Cricket Board, has been suspended for two years, thus acting as no more than a bond for good behaviour.

Such leniency contrasts with the draconian fines, totalling £8.000, imposed earlier this week on Allan Lamb, whose crime was not to have cheated but to have accused someone else of doing so. It also now transpires that Surrey were first reported by umpires as long ago as 1990, and that a further complaint was filed by two different umpires in 1991. On neither occasion was any punishment issued, nor was it deemed desirable to make the matter public.

Those who run our national summer sport are failing those for whom it is run. Cricket is a public game. It is played as an entertainment for those who pay to watch, and those whose enjoyment is merely in following it and dissecting its scores and issues.

These people, the lifeblood of the game, could be forgiven for thinking that cricket is in the hands of those who believe in secrecy above all.

What else can explain the silence of the International Cricket Council, which has refused to clarify and endorse the umpires' decision at Lord's last month when the ball was changed during the luncheon interval of a one-day international between England and Pakistan? They could not even make a simple statement saying whether the ball had been tampered with or not.

Instead, in the fashion so beloved of cricketing administrators, the ICC prevaricated. Writs from players who feit they had been slighted have began to fly. A month later Pakistan's name remains uncleared, the umpires' actions remain unendorsed and the public remains in ignorance.

The same attitude was displayed when the England selectors announced their party for the winter tour of India. They knew, of course, that the public would be outraged. rightly or wrongly, by the absence of David Gower. Yet Ted Dexter, chairman of the committee, immediately refused to discuss any player who had not been picked.

No wonder that the people who fill the stands at grounds around the country throughout the season are losing patience with cricket's administrators. Spectators feel they are being treated as if the game would be better off without them. They deserve more consideration than that.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Arts salute for David Mellor

From Mr John Willan and others Sir. In David Mellor we had a secretary of state committed to and with a deep understanding of the arts.

Could we not have allowed him to

get on with his job? Yours faithfully, JOHN WILLAN (London Philharmonic Orchestra), MIKE ATTENBOROUGH (Royal Shakespeare Company). C. GILLINSON (London Symphony Orchestra). JEREMY ISAACS (Royal Opera House). PETER JONAS (English National Opera). N. KENYON (BBC Radio), NICHOLAS SNOWMAN (South Bank Centre).

ALAN YENTOB

(BBC Television),

September 24.

35 Doughty Street, WC1.

Licensing laws

From the Director General of the Institute of Directors

Sir, Any difference between this institute (report, August 25) and Alcohol Concern (letter, September 7) over alcohol licensing appears to be one of degree rather than kind. We would welcome a comprehensive review of licensing laws in England and Wales, but question whether licensing is an appropriate method of control.

It is by no means self-evident that a control which has its origins in the protection of public revenue would be ound wholly satisfactory in combating the health and public order problems which justify licensing now. Starting with a clean sheet of paper would permit proper consideration of the impact of alternative methods of control of alcohol consumption on all aspects of society, not least the market

All licences protect established producers against new competitors. A new liquor licence may depend on establishing that a "need" exists.

Licensing discriminates against the smaller would-be market entrant. It should therefore be sparingly used.

Yours sincerely, PETER MORGAN, Director General, Institute of Directors, 116 Pall Mall, SW1.

Reviving high streets

From Mr Paul Davies

Sir, Walter Ellis ("Where the tough go shopping", Life & Times, September 21), consigns our high streets to the history books with hardly a glance at the effect of town-centre decline on our urban communities.

In the United States many "down-town" areas are unused and unsafe. The same is beginning to happen in this country, with increasingly derelict upper floors, empty retail space and crumbling public infrastructure.

If we give up on our high streets as victims of an inevitable shift in shopping habits, we risk paying a far greater price than lack of convenient shopping facilities. Empty public space breeds crime and fear of crime. Deserted high streets will lead to an increasing decline in the quality of

urban life In over 800 US towns and cities economic development is being stimu-lated through public bodies, busi-nesses, and local communities. Some 15,000 new main-street businesses have been established.

In Britain the Civic Trust is promoting a similar approach in places such as Tooting and Greenwich involving shopping, leisure and cultural facil-

PAUL DAVIÉS (Head, Regeneration Unit). Civic Trust. 17 Cariton House Terrace, SW1. September 22.

Controlling squirrels

From Mr John Bryant

Yours faithfully,

Sir, In controlling any wild species which causes damage (letters, September 15, 21) there is a tendency to rely on killing to solve the problem. There is no point in "controlling" grey squirrels if the cost of the control exceeds the cost of the damage caused by the squirrels. In the 1950s, tax-

payers paid out for the killing of two million squirrels under a bounty scheme, with the result that there were more squirrels at the end of the exercise than there were at the beginning. Since then the government has rightly abandoned such schemes. The grey squirrel is here to stay -

indeed it is much admired by many people as an attractive addition to our wildlife. Efforts to provide anractive habitat for red squirrels should be enhanced and the killing of grey squirrels (if cost-effective) should be limited to the only time they cause real damage (summer months) and the only places they cause real economic damage (commercial timber forests).

Yours sincerely. JOHN BRYANT (Wildlife officer). League Against Cruel Sports. 83-87 Union Street, SEI.

Moving on from Tom Brown's days

From Miss Bronte Flecker

working atmosphere.

Marlborough College, Marlborough, Wiltshire.

From Mr E. G. F. Johnson

Sir, Why send your sons and daugh-

ters to boarding school? I can only speak for myself. Marlborough Coll-

ege has saturated me with a wealth of

opportunities to cultivate my interests.

whether they be on a hockey pitch or in

the Astronomy Society, as well as providing me with a challenging

Yours faithfully, BRONTE FLECKER (Senior prefect),

Sir, Some 25 years ago, when my wife and I were being shown round a prep school, the headmaster proudly pointed out to us a boy aged 6.2.

When we expressed surprise that such a young boy should be a boarder, it was explained to us that he had three

elder brothers at the school and the

parents wished him to be there for his

oldest brother's last term so that the

family could achieve a record by being

represented at the school by a maxi-

mus, a major, a minor and a minimus.

Sir. Nick Duffell and his Boarding

School Survivors support group should hear the constant pleading to

be allowed to board that goes on in our house. Since the age of eight, when

they start in the main school, we have

allowed them to stay the odd night,

rising to four nights a week, at which

point they have become full boarders.

The two of our four children who

aiready board are very happy and have been allowed "to be who they really

are. Additionally, as boarders they have learnt that they are not the only

pebbles on the beach much sooner

than their non-boarding counterparts

- a great asset in this day and age.

Leigh Lodge, Leigh, Worcestershire.

reciting a sonnet correctly while in a

morning cold bath was physically and

mentally stimulating, and at least one

splendid legacy of St Cake's (your leading article), or Bradfield.

Yours faithfully,

Yours faithfully.

JOHN GARFIELD.

Keyhaven, Hadrian Wav.

Chilworth, Southampton.

CLARE HAMPSON,

From Mr John Garfield

17 Alders Road, Reigate, Surrey.

From Mrs Clare Hampson

Yours faithfully, E. G. F. JOHNSON,

From the Principal of Cheltenham Ladies College

Sir, Boarding schools make ready targets for educational wit (leading article, September 15) and I would accept that not all boarding experiences have been, or indeed are, happy ones; on the other hand nor are all day school or even family experiences.

Boarding schools have changed greatly in the last 20 years and, given the range of parental choice in education today, will only succeed if they offer the stable, happy and stimulating environment that parents and shilden only. and children seek.

A boarding school provides children with the opportunity to concentrate on school-based activities without timewasting travel. It offers the chance to make friends within a community which draws from all over the world. It develops an understanding of other races and religions, difficult to obtain in a smaller local community, and there is always something to do and someone with whom to do it. The care of teaching and house staff com-plements the role of the parents and the child benefits from the partner-

As for the modern Cheltenham lady, I am delighted if she has the ability, confidence and determination of Baroness Thatcher (though, as you say, "no Cheltenham Lady she").

Yours sincerely, ENID CASTLE, Principal, The Cheltenham Ladies' College, heltenham, Gloucestershire,

From Miss Annie Lear

Sir, Whilst I sympathise with Nick Duffell's childhood experiences (report, September 15) I can reassure him about the "repressive" boarding schools he describes. Since starting boarding at the age of seven I have lived among my friends, built up strong relationships with teachers and been encouraged to co-operate and to flourish. I have enjoyed gradually being presented with the challenge of decision-making and responsibilities which have cultivated my confidence and provided valuable experience. My living at school has heightened the mutual appreciation and support

within my family.

Now at 17, I am excited by the future and far from being "illequipped to face the real world". Isn't it about time it was recognised just how much boarding schools have progressed and improved since Tom Brown's Schooldays?

Yours faithfully. ANNIE LEAR (Head of School). Roedean, Brighton, East Sussex.

Economic priorities

From the Chairman of the London Churches Group

Sir. The financial anarchy of the past few weeks has left political parties divided and the reputation of economic experts dented. However, the principal victims continue to be the millions who are without secure jobs, adequate income and decent homes. Rather than seeking scapegoats in the exchange-rate mechanism, the Bundesbank or currency speculators, this is a moment to rethink our priorities.

High on the agenda of the London Churches Group, an ecumenical body in which members of all the nation's leading churches are represented, are the issues of poverty, community care, refugees and homelessness.

What better place to begin than with our housing policy? With homeless-ness at record levels and with hundreds of thousands of building workers unemployed, it is surely right, economically as well as morally, to begin getting our own economic house in order by embarking on a programme of increasing investment in affordable housing for rent.

Yours faithfully, PETER W. SUTCLIFFE, Chairman. The London Churches Group, The City Temple, Holborn Viaduct, EC1. September 23.

From Ms Heather Mccauley

Sir, The reduction in the number of households accepted as homeless (report, September 11) does not mean

that the number of families walting to be permanently housed is declining.

Figures collected by the London Research Centre show that at the end of March there were 42,506 families (more than 100,000 individuals) in London waiting to be moved into permanent homes. The figure has risen steadily since 1986, when it was 14,049.

The average length of stay in temporary accommodation is 47 weeks. More than a third of these families will have to wait for over a year before the local council can provide permanent housing.

Yours faithfully. HEATHER MCCAULEY (Principal Information Officer, Bed and Breakfast Information Exchange). London Research Centre, 81 Black Prince Road, SE1.

From the Chairman of the Automobile Association

Sir, The Chancellor is expected to announce a reduction to the planned roads programme when he makes his autumn Budget statement (report, September 16). To do so would be

Situated as we are on the edge of Europe, we must invest in new and improved roads to ensure efficient access to key markets.

Yours faithfully, RALPH CARR-ELLISON, Chairman. The Automobile Association, Fanum House, Basingstoke, Hampshire.

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Overture for beginners

From the Director of the Ernest Read Munic Appointion

Sir, The ambitious project in musical education, involving 16 orchestras and 40,000 primary school children described by Richard Morrison (September 15) is indeed a promising and imaginative initiative, a valuable widening of the work already being done by several orchestras with Arts Council and other funding.

Whether the "very survival of palaces of culture, like the Festival Hall, really depends upon such projects, is more doubtful. For one thing, outreach work is expensive and is impossible to carry out without substantial grants and/or sponsorship, so is likely to remain limited.

For another, the essential business of concert halls is to attract the public to listen to music; and one of the most powerful incentives to adults to go to concerts is to have learnt the habit and enjoyed it in their youth.

But the word "enjoy" is the important one. One of the most encouraging aspects of our own experience with the Ernest Read Concerts for Children has been that the choirs contributing to each concert carry back their enthusiasm to their own schools and revitalise class singing throughout them. Similarly an annual song com-

petition provides a major stimulus to

classroom composing projects, when

part of the prize is a performance in the Festival Hall.

One other aspect of our own experience is that this work has now been continuing for nearly 50 years without any public funding or private sponsorship.

Yours faithfully. NOEL LONG. Director. Ernest Read Music Association, 9 Cotsford Avenue. New Malden, Surrey. September 16.

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'Parsimony' over judges' pensions

From Lord Ackner

Sir. The near-total rejection of the July recommendations by the top salary review body (TSRB) is but one barrel of a gun about to be fired at the judges

by government.

The other impending and more lethal discharge is to be found in the Judicial Pensions and Retirement Bill which will be again debated in the House of Lords at the end of next

month. The bill's proposal to increase the minimum period of judicial service from 15 years to 20 years for entitlement to a full pension (one half of the judicial salary) represents a 7.5 per cent reduction in pay. To this must be added the further proposal that the current guaranteed minimum pension of 25 per cent of salary be abolished.

An independent consultant actuary has estimated that the combined effect of these proposals represents a reduction in salary of between 10 and 15 per cent. This does not take into account the further prejudicial proposal to base the pension, not as previously on the salary in payment on the day of retirement, but on the average of the salary received over the year immediately before retirement.

Taking the top estimate of 15 per cent, the effect on the pay of senior judges appointed a few months hence, after the bill is enacted and is in force, will be a 4 per cent increase in the salary paid prior to April 1 (approximately 20 per cent of the figure recommended by the TSRB), a 15 per cent decrease following the implementation of the bill's provisions, and thus a net decrease of 11 per cent.

Furthermore, the bill's provisions as to the pensions payable on incapacity through illness or death during ser vice, and the treatment of judges' widows and orphans are so parsimonious that they would not be accept-able in any modern pension scheme for top executives.

Yours faithfully, ACKNER. House of Lords. September 23.

Trial by jury

Sir, My children are amazed by their father's ability to quote from Shake-speare's sonnets. The punishment of From the Chairman of the Magistrates' Association

Sir. In his letter (September 17) on the attitude of this association to the possible abolition of jury trial in some minor theft cases, Mr Stanley Best makes general remarks about mag-

istrates courts with which I take issue. The days of "police courts" are long gone: there is no "rubber stamping" of the decisions of police officers — or of anyone else. Magistrates' training is now much more comprehensive than

When deciding how to vote on October 16 on the motion relating to trial by jury, members attending our annual general meeting will no doubt consider Mr Best's counsel in the light

of their knowledge and experience. Yours etc... JOYCE ROSE Chairman of Council. The Magistrates' Association, 28 Fitzroy Square, W1.

From Lady Badenoch

Sir. I retired in July this year after serving for 23 years as a lay magistrate on the Oxford city bench. I do not recognise from the descriptions given by Mr Stanley Best any lay magistrates of my acquaintance or any experience I have had of police

Yours faithfully, ANNE BADENOCH. 21 Hartley Court, 84 Woodstock Road, Oxford.

Recycled material

From Mrs Cherry Hamson

Sir, Your report, "Green hints misleading shoppers" (September 16), says more about the general lack of environmental education in this country than it does about the companies alleged to be "conning" them with misleading information. The example given, "Aluminium foil is recyclable", is entirely true and

carries no implication about the product being made from recycled material. The issues are quite separate, as new marks which will be going on to packaging when the EC draft directive on packaging waste becomes law, will make clear.

Yours faithfully, CHERRY HAMSON. Aluminium Foil Recycling 38 and 42 High Street, Bidford-on-Avon, Warwickshire. September 16.

Backyard bounders

From Mr Russell Hawkes

Sir, A new breed of landowner has emerged in the last few years - I call them Nimby-Whistlers (not in my backyard while I still live 'ere). They are people who get planning permission for a development in their garden just before they sell.

I will never be one of them: my garden is too small.

Yours faithfully. RUSSELL HAWKES, The Priory, Common Hill, Saffron Walden, Essex.

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BALMORAL CASTLE September 24: The National Chairman of the Scottish Women's Rural Institutes (Mrs Marie Mackie) and the Office Bearers of the Institutes were received by The Queen on the occasion of their Seventy-fifth Anniversary.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE September 24: The Duke of York, Admiral of the Sea Cadet Corps, this evening attended a Reception on board HMS Belfast, Tower

Bridge, London SE1. Captain Neil Blair, RN, was in attendance. The Prince Edward today visited Southport and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Merseyside (Mr Henry Cotton).

His Royal Highness visited the Ainsdale Nature Reserve and the Botanic Gardens.
Subsequently The Prince
Edward visited Southport Town
Hall and was entertained to lunch

by the Mayor of Sefton (Councillor Norman Jones).
His Royal Highness this after-noon visited the Southport Arts Centre followed the Atkinson Art

Gallery.
Lieutenant Colonel Sean

O'Dwyer was in attendance.
The Princess Royal today visited the West Midlands and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for the West Midlands. (the Earl of Aylesford). Her Royal Highness re-opened.

Snow Hill Centre for Shape Hous-ing Association, 86 Old Snow Hill,

The Princess Royal, Patron, SENSE, the National Deal-Blind and Rubella Association, opened Group Homes at 428-430 Gillott Road, Edghaston and 104 Dawlish Road, Selly Oak, Her Royal Highness visited Philip Harris Medical Limited at Strichley, and afterwards opened the Birmingham Business Park in

Solihull. Mrs William Nunneley was in

KENSINGTON PALACE

September 24: The Princess of Wales this evening attended the film premiere of Just Like a Woman in aid of SOS and as Patron, Royal Marsden Hospital, at the Odeon Cinema, Leicester Square, London WC2.
Mrs James Lonsdale and Cap-

tain Edward Musto, RM, were in

KENSINGTON PALACE

September 24: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, Honorary Air Commodore, today visited Royal Air Force Coningsby and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for the County of Lincolnshire (Sir Henry Nevile).

Mrs Jane Stevens and Major The Lord Napier and Ettrick were

KENSINGTON PALACE

September 24: The Duke of Gloucester, Colonel-in-Chief, The Gloucesters, Colones in Chief, The Gloucestershire Regiment, today received the Freedom of the District of Northsvon on behalf of the Regiment at Thornbury, Avon.

His Royal Highness was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Avon (Sir John Bulle and

Major Nicholes Barne was in attendance.

Memorial services

The Right Rev Cecil Patterson A service of thanksgiving for the life and witness of the Right Rev Cecil Patterson was held yesterday in Southwark Cathedral. Canon

Roy White, vice-provost, officiated. Mr Eric Patterson, brother, the Ajetunmobi, Chaplain to the Ni-gerian Chaplaincy in Britain, read the lessons. The Bishop of Coventry gave an address and Miss Diana Witts, Regional Secretary for West Africa, Church Missionary Society, led the prayers.

The Right Rev Michael Nazir-Ali, General Secretary of the CMS. was robed and in the Sanctuary.

Professor Elie Kedowie

A memorial service for Professor Elie Kedourie was held yesterday at Bevis Marks Synagogue. Rabbl Abraham Levy officiated, assisted by the Rev H. Benarroch.

Addresses were given by Rabbi Levy, Mr David Djanogly, Mr Andrew Mango, Dr Abbas Kelidar and Mr George Kedourie,

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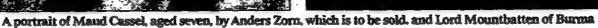
The Ambassadors of Denmark, Norway and Sweden amended a luncheon given yesterday by the three Scandinavian Chambers of Commerce at the Dorchester hotel. Mr J.G. Davis, was the guest of honour and speaker.

tended a luncheon given yesterday by the German Chamber of Industry and Commerce at the Hyde Park Hotel. Herr Gunter Z. Steffers, chairman, presided and the guest of honour, Herr Heinz Dürr, also spoke.

Service luncheon

Lord Weatherill was the principal guest at the annual reunion hincheon of The Royal Gartiwal Rifles Officers' Association was held yes-terday at The Duke of York's Headquarters, Chelsea.





Mountbatten trustees in £5m art sale

BY JOHN SHAW

A £5 MILLION art collection from the estate of the late Earl Mounthatten of Burma is to be sold at Sotheby's in London over the next four months, it was announced vesterday.

Lord Mountbatten was killed by the IRA while on holiday with his family in Ireland in 1979 and the property comes from his priapariments at vate Broadlands, the family home at Romsey, Hampshire.

in the two years after his death the house, a grade one listed building attracted 250,000 visitors annually but the figure has been hovering around 70,000 recently. The Prince and Princess of Wales spent part of their honeymoon at Broadlands in 1981.

An estate spokesman said debts had accrued in the past eight years "and in order to meet these obligations the trustees have had to make this sale. It is very sad but the two key parts of the collection will remain intact at the house." The highlight is undoubt-

edly "The Iron Forge", by Joseph Wright of Derby (48in by 52in), dating from 1772 and expected to make more than £2.5 million in London on November 18. Joseph Wright (1734-97)

pecialised in the effects of light, often in industrial settings. The picture was bought directly from him by Henry Temple. second Lord Paimerston, whose father bought Broadlands in 1763. Young Paimerston started the family art collection and another of his purchases is also included, a superb landscape by Philips Koninck

DEATHS

Note Suffice. Funeral Service at All Saints Church. Reading, on Thursday October 14t at 11.30 an., followed by burial iz the Suffice femily vault. Reading Old Cametery. Simple personal flowers only by request, or if preferred domations to the RIVILL or Royal Horticultural Society may be sent to A.B. Walker and Sou Ltd. 36 Edden Road. Reading.

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WOLF - On September 22nd, peacefully in hospital.

Craule, beloved write of Leo, much lovel wother of Mickey, and Pual and adored grandmother of William.

Sem. Flowte. Ross and Mac. Cremation at Golders Green Crematorium, Friday October 2nd at 1.80 pm.

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(1619-88), bought for £34 in 1788 but now forecast to sell for between Elmillion and El.5million on December 9. Similar pictures by him are in

the National Gallery. There are also portraits of two nineteenth century British Prime Ministers: Henry Temple, the third Lord Palmerston by Frederick Cruik-shank (£6,000-£8,000) and Viscount Melbourne by Sir Edwin Landseer (E20,000-£30,000).

The estate eventually assed to Wilfred Ashley. Lord Mount Temple of Lee in 1907. His wife Maud Cassel was the daughter of Sir Earnest Cassel, financier to Edward VII and he commissioned Anders Zorn, the Swedish artist, to paint her Tate Gallery about the immiportrait, now anticipated to fetch £100,000 to £150,000.

Birthdays

Their daughter, Edwina, married Lord Mountbatten. Mountbatten's 30ft com-

mand caravan, used in the Far East during the second world war, will be for sale at the Royal Air Force Museum, Hendon, north London on October 24, where the preestimate is about £15,000.

Silver, furniture and ceramics will appear in various specialist sales and Lord Gowrie, the chairman of Sotheby's Europe, said the firm was honoured to sell the items. They were some of the finest available and reflected active collecting by a family of connoisseurs over more than

NA CENTRITIÈS Sotheby's has notified the nent appearance of the Wright picture.

Dinners

Constructors' Company The Lord Mayor, accompanied by the Lody Mayoress and the Sher-iffs and their ladies, received a cheque for his chosen charity "Learning Together" from Mr Michael May, Master of the Constructors' Company, at a recep-tion, held yesterday at Drapers' Hall. At the election dinner held afterwards, the Master presided and presented a cheque to Harris City Technology College. Mr Peter Olley, Middle Warden, and Com-mander Michael Fickling also

Royal College of Radiologists The Mayor of Southampton and her escort attended the annual dinner of the Royal College of Radiologists held last night in Southampton Guildhall. Dr C.H. Paine, president, and Mix Paine were the hosts. Among those INCSCOL WEIG

Intestal were:
The vice-Chancellor of Southampton to vice-Chancellor of Southampton, the President of the Section of Radiology of the Royal Society of Medicipe, the President of the British Nuclear Medicine Society, the President of the institute of Physical Sciences in Medicines, the President of the College of Radiographers, the President of the Spitish Institute of Radiology, the Dean of Medicine and Mrs Normand and the President of the Spitish Institute of Radiology, the Dean of Medicine and Mrs Normand and the President of the Spitish Medical (Mrssyound Society and Mrs bieire.

Royal Foundation

of St Botolph, Aldgate, is to succeed Father Christopher Lowe, CR, as Master of the Royal Foundation of St Katharine, Butcher Rew, Stepney, east

Forthcoming marriages

Mr A.D. Bollon and Miss S.E. Garner

The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Mr and Mrs Harry Bollon, of Oxted, Surrey, and Susie, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Garner. of Old Drews. Beaconsfield,

Mr J.M.G. Carnegie

and Miss P. Gat The engagement is announced between John, younger son of Dr and Mrs Graham Carnegie, of East Grinstead, Sussex, and Polly, younger daughter of Flight Lieutenam and Mrs NJ. Galpin, of Norvich, Norfolk.

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and Miss E.J. Show The engagement is announced between Alexander, son of Mr and Mrs Paul Crowe, of Chipperfield, Hentiordshire, and Emma, elder daughter of Mr and Mts Anthony Shone, of West Kirby, Wirral.

The engagement is announced between Ashley, only son of Mr Charles de Laroque, of Lyndale Cottage, Chalfout St Peer, Buckinghamshire, and Mrs Toni de Laroque, of 3 Esher House, London, SW10, and Rosamond, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Tollemache, of Tollemache Hall, Ipswich, Suffolk

The engagement is announced between Tarquin, youngest son of Michael and the late Ann Desoutter, of Horsham, Sussex, and Tine, only daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Paul Lund, of

Mr G.W.B. Francke

and Miss J.C. Milborne The engagement is announced between Gerard, only son of Mr and Mrs D.M. Francke, of East

Mr T.A.B.H. Glover

and Miss M.R. Flex

Mr J.R. Graham and Miss N.W.L. Barrington-

The engagement is announced

Mr C.I. Holloway and Miss E.C.L. Hayward

Buckinghamshire.

and Miss K.M. Heath

Mr A.R. McFarlane

Mr P.N. O'Copper

and Miss R.J. Eagan

and Miss A.E. Sayres

The engagement is announced

between Rupert Alexander James,

elder son of the Right Hon Sir

Anthony and Lady McCowan, of London, SW1, and Kerstin May.

daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter

Heath, of Kennington, near Ashford, Kent.

The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Mr Clive McFarlane, of Penola, South Australia and Mrs Julief

McFarlane. of McBourne, and Annabel, daughter of Mr and Mis Edward Sayres, of Dagnall, Buckinghamshire.

The engagement is announced between Philip, son of Mr and Mrs Desmond O'Conor Cameron, of Rotherfield, Sussex, and

Rebecca, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Eagan, of Sydney,

and Miss S.E. Curvughame

The engagement is announce between James, elder som Colonel and Mrs Andrew Parson

and Sally, eldest daughter of Mand Mrs Brian Cunynghame,

The engagement is announce between Shaun, son of Mr at

Wexham, Buckinghamshire, Catherine Robecca, daughter

Mr and Mrs J.B. Campbell.

The marriage will take place on Saturday, September 26, 1992, at St Barnabas Church, Hadleigh, Essex, between Kim, only son of

The engagement is announced between John, son of the late Mr

Hillon Strawbridge and of Mrs Gay Strawbridge, of Auckland, New Zealand, and Jane, daughter

of Mr Michael Hamilton and Mrs

The marriage took place on Thursday, September 24, 1992, at

Mariene Hamilton, of London

Mittr Dot Godwin, of and Victoria Hilaum.

Mr J. Strawbridge and Miss J.D. Hamilton

London, W2. Mr S. Powell

Fulford, York. Mr K, Raymond and Miss V, Hilson

and Miss C.R. Campi

The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Mrs Mary Barry, of Bath, and Elizabeth, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Hayward, of Princes Risborough.

Buckinghamshire.

Mr H.R.P. Chelton

and Miss S. Russell and Miss S. Russell
The engagement is announced between Hugn, youngest son of Captain and Mrs L.W.L. Chehon, of Paimers Green House, Hatch Beauchamp, Somerset, and Sarah, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs K.F. Russell, of Burton Mill, Middle Barton, Oxfordshire.

Mr A.P. de Laroque and Miss R.S. Tollem

and Miss T. Land

Copenhagen, Denmark.

Mr S.J. Digby
and Miss A.V. King
The engagement is announced
between Stephen, son of Mr and
Mrs G.J. Digby, of Albury, New
South Wales, Australia, and
Amanda, daughter of Mr and Mrs
R.F. King, of Benington,
Hertfordshire.

Sheen, London, and Jane, only daughter of Mr and Mrs RAE. Milborne, of East Sheen, London.

The engagement is announced between Timothy, son of Mr and Mrs James Glover, of Kircubbin, Co. Down, and Wisrie, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Fleming, of Ealing, West London.

Carver

between Roddy, middle son of Lieutenant General Sir Peter and Lady Graham, of Edinburgh, Scotland, and Nicola, only daughter of Mr and Mrs John Barrington-Carver, of Chelsea, London, SW3.

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Marriages

and Miss V.A. Willi

Mr-J.C.T. Banter-Wright

Vanuam, between Jonathan Craig Thomas, only son of Mr and Mrs Tom Baxter-Wright, of Monmouth, Gwent, and Victoria Anne, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Alan Williams, of Abertillery, GWERL

and Mrs B.A. Ekin The marriage took place quietly in London on September 21, between Dr Ian Reekse and Mrs Bridget Anne Ekin.

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Today's royal engagements

The Duke of York will attend the Peper Harrow golf day at Went-worth, Stirrey, at 11.30.

Prince Edward, as Chairman of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Special Projects Group, will launch the Campaign for City Youth— Tyne and Wear Challenge at Newcastle Civic Centre at 4.30; will open the Newcastle Award Centre, 20 Great North Road, at 5.30; and will attend a dinner at the Gosforth Park Hotel at 7.30, in support of the Duke of Edin-burgh's Award. The Princess Royal will open the

new laboratory of the Agricultural and Food Research Council Institute of Food Research, Whitekrights Campus, Reading University, at 10.30; and will attend Queen Elizabeth's Foundation Race Day at Ascot at 12.15. The Duchess of Gloucester will

visit the Oxford Rhesus Therapy Unit at the John Raddiffe Materonly Hospital at 5.20; as Patron of the National Asthma Campaign, will visit the asthma genetics laboratory in the Nuffield departrandstanty in the Numeri department of medicine at the John Radciffe Hospital II at 6.15; and will attend the campaign's annual conference dinner at Christ Church College, Oxford, at 7.00. Princess Alexandra will open the new St Peter's Church of England

Primary School at Bratton, Tellord, at 2.20; and will open the new factory of Makita Manufacturing Europe at Hortonwood, Telford, at 3,30.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Felicia Hemans, poet, Liverpool, 1793; Thomas Mor-gan, geneticist, Nobel laureate 1933, Lexington, Kentucky, 1866; Sir Charles Cochran, impresario, Lindfield, Sussex, 1872; William Faulkner, novelist, Nobel laurease 1949, New Albany, Mississippi, 1897; Mark Rothka, painter, Daugavpils, Russia, 1903; Dmitri Shostatovich composer, St Petersburg, 1906.

DEATHS: Samuel Butler, author of Hudibras, London, 1680; Johann Heinrich Lambert, math-ematician, Berlin, 1777; Johann Strauss the Elder, Vierma, 1849; Erich Maria Remarque, author of All Quiet on the Western Front. Locarno, 1970; Walter Pidgeon, film actor, 1984.

The battle of Stamford Bridge when Harold defeated Tostig and Hardrada of Norway, 1066. The trans-Atlantic telephone service began, 1956.

Latest wills

Lady Skalterley, of Ston Eastup. Somerset, widow of Colonei Sir Geoffrey Peter Shakedey, a former High Sheriff of Gloucestershire. left estate valued at £64,716 net. Margaret Florence Evelyn Mac-Kennie, of Fawley, Buckingham shire, who owned the Faviley estate, near Henley-on-Thames. including Temple Island which is let to the regatta for an annual rent of two eggs, left estate valued at £880,859 net.

Mr Louis Allen, of Durham. author and broadcaster, left estate valued at £183.576 net.

Archaeology

US television blows away a dusty image

BY NORMAN HAMMOND ANTHABOLOGY CONNESTIONDENT

AMERICA'S largest archaeological society has joined forces with a television channel to launch a series of programmes on current discoveries and debates.

The Archaeological Institute of America and the Learning Channel will be offering Archaeology, named after the institute's popular magazine, complete with a promotional spot midway through

each programme. The institute, which also publishes the heavyweight American Journal of Archaeology, the leading academic periodi-

cal devoted to classical antiquity, hopes to increase membership beyond the present 11,000, and to raise the circulation of its magazine Archaeology, currently nearly 160,000.

The first programme, to be broadcast nationwide this month, deals with the recent decipherment of Maya hieroglyphic writing at Copan in Honduras, It will be followed by coverage of Viking, biblical and North American archaeology.

More controversial will be the discussions of Professor Martin Bernal's book Black Athena, which argues that Greek civilisation owes a large unacknowledged debt to Egypt and black Africa, and of

Heinrich Himmler's use of German archaeology and archaeologists to further Nazi aims.

The series will be presented by John Rhys-Davies, the actor. Phyllis Pollak Katz, publisher of Archaeology, estimates that the programmes will reach 18 million homes across America.

Each one is based on a story from the journal, which retains veto rights over programme content and also vouches for its veracity. The increased public appreciation of archaeology and the learned society which fosters it in America is something that British institutions might well envy, and possibly emulate.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUMPHRIES - On September 2nd. suddenty. In Sydney, David John Samuel, beloved son of John and Beatrice and brother of Aun. Funeral has laken place. No letters please.

you will prosper; that is the way to mend your fortuse. Accept instruction from his line and base his words to Job 22:21,22 PAGE 1 RIKTHS ALDRED - On September 23rd at The Portland Hospital, to Caroline (new Whiteley) and Dancan, a son, Edward Peter, a brother for William.

21st, to Valerte (née Hunt-Taylor) and Pfdits. a son. Richard William. a brother for Edward. BLACKSTORE - On September 22nd. to Philippa (nee Hargreaves) and Tim. a daughter. Harriette Anna Paviller.

INTERVIOL - On Sometime 14th 1992, to Nicole trafe de Freshes) and Tim, a son, Arthur Cearge, a brothey for Harriet Mary, Maildia Abce, Jentina Jane, Toby John and Phoebe Maud.

MONTGONIERY On September 18th, to Mandy (nee Tomalia) and Nigel, a damphic, Alexandra, a sister for James and Anna. OKONKWO - On September 20th at the Humana Hospital Wellington, to Godwin and Vitlan, a ten Elepta Godwin.

OLINS - On September 11th, to Susannah (née Kornberg) and Adam, a daughter, Georgia Violet Catherine. PEACH - On Squameer USrd. to Amenda (noe Quine) and Graham, a flac son, Jake Scoutter.

PEARSON - On Asset 27th 1992, to Rhona (née Luke) and Tim, a son, Douglas James Morrison. POLLEN - On September 24th

SCHLEY RETTCHIE - Cn Sep-tember 6th, to Georgia and Diff, a sup, Addison Dentiti. THOMAS - On September 18th, to Bee (née Nethery) and Simon, a daughter. Otiviz Frances. TIZLEY - On September 19th 1992, to Katrina and Adrian.

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WILLIAMS - On September 23rd 1992, al St Thomas' Hospital, London, to Clare (née Enverson) and David. a deughter. Sophie Chariotte.

ASHWOOD - On September 23rd 1992, peacefully at Combe Florey. Somersel, Maureen, much loved wife of Ceorge and mother of Christopher and Michael. Funeral Service at Tauniton Desire Cremistorium on Monday September 28th at 12.30 pm. Family flowers only.

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daughter, Harrictie Annas
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JORES - On September 22nd.

Catherine Juliette, aged 3-sysurs, beloved wife of Peter,
mother of Scarled, daughter
of Muriel Wicks and the late
Colonel Henry Wicks OBE.
Funera Service at Ryarsh
Parish Church, Monday
September 28th, 2-45 pm.
Family flowers unly.
Donations to Royal London
Hospital Injensive Therapy
Unit, C/o Doves Funeral
Directors, i Suppose Road.
Bromley, BR2 9AP. Rest in JONES - On September 16th, suddenly and peacefully, David Charles Jones FRICS MCOOB MSSM. Much loved and a good friend in many, Pumeral Service at 11.30 am on Friday Octuber 2nd 4 to Martin's Caunch, Doridays, followed by a private cremation and afterwards at 1.30 pm at the RAC Country Club, Woodcole Park, Ebsom, Flowers to Sheriock & Sons, Treilis House, Doriking, GRAND - On September 23rd.
peacefully at home. Doreen
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Hospital beloved aunt and
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Salisbury. 29th. 3.30 pm.
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SMITHER On September 22nd 1992, in Guerrisey, Maurice Smither, aged 80 years, A private funeral in Guerrisey. A private funeral in Guerrise will be the ship and chose who knew him can neet in Needham Martor. Details to be autounced later:

SUTTON ON September 20th 1992 in her 102nd pent. Dovothy Prances Gitnore, widow of Leonard Nos Suiton. Puneral Service at All Salata Church. HARRAWAY - On September 23rd 1992, peacefully at Coldstream, Berwickshire, Man (Bubbles) formerly of Karen, Kenya, in her 84th KOURGHT - On September 17th 1992 in Banjul, The Camble. Michael John Anthony. dearly beloved hisband of Doreen and father of Elizabeth, Michy and Flone.

Nina (Bubbles), formerty of Karen, Kenya, in her 84th year. Private cremation, in her 84th year. Private cremation of controls it desired to St. Andrew's Church, Keiso, c/o Brochers, 59 London Rosel, Maldbone, Kessi, ME16 8JJ. HATTERSLEY - On September 23rd 1992, studdenly, Major John Stagleton Haltersley (late R.E.). Puneral will take place on Thuraday October 1st at 12 noon at Collitr's Church. Family flowers only, or if Blood donations in Collitr's Church. Family flowers only, or if Blood donations in Collitr's Church Tower Appeal c/o M.C. Goward Flueral Directors, Fakenham, Norfolk. HERHING - On September 21st 1992, at horna, George Gilbert, Priest, aged 68, beloved husband of Counie, loving Eather of Audrey and Joyce and dearty jowed grandenther of Elizabeth and Anne, Al his request body donated to Medical Science, Requern private. If desired, donations in this memory to The Manastery, Crawley Down, W.Sussex, RH10 8LH. HUMPHRUSS - On September MARSOROUGHS — On September 23rd, peacefully in hospital, Prederick, beloved bushand of Kay and father of Jessee, Puneral to be held at Mortake Cremsfortum on Wednesday September 30th at 11 am, No Sovers, donations to Cancer Research.

POWELL - On September 24th 1992, peacefully in the Norfolk & Norwich Hospital. June. of Barton Turf. Norfolk. Adored wife of the late Majore H.J. Powell (Royal Marines) and mother of James and Service to Inke place at St. Michael's Church. Barton Turf, on Thurway October 1st at 2 pm. followed by internant in the church-frant. Flores in Services. 95 Norwich Boad. Wrombans. Norvices.

BODIER - On September 23rd. peacefully at home. Harold (Peter). Befoved husband of the late Marquerita, dearly loved father of Chartes, kitty. Alex and Patrick and much loved grandfather, brother and uncle. Private fureral. Service of Thanksgiving at the Parish Church of St Mary and St Nicholas. Leatherboad, on Wednesday September 30th at 2.50 pm. No flowers please but donations if wished to Leatherbead, Night Hostel c/o L. Hawkitas & Sons, Highlands Road. Leatherbead, Surrey.

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APPEARS IN RUSSELL - On September 24th, Moora RSCJ, percently after a protomped Minem, Funeral arrange-ments let: (OSI) 748-9353. LIFE & TIMES SECTION - PAGE 9

THE WELL SET THE STATE OF THE Ammers from page 18

(a) To draw stitches tight, to twitch, as a shoemaker with sewing, of obscure origin, but probably phonetically echoic, cf. the largely synonymous jork; Scott: "His hands and feet are yezhoù as tight as (c) Learned men as a body, scholars, introduced by Coleridge to express a notion no longer associated with clergy, from the Late Latin clericis; Coleridge: "After the Revolution, a tearned body, or clericy, as such, gradually disappeared."

(c) A godinother, in her relationship to the other god-parents and the purents of the child, from the Latin care together with + moter mother: "As hencest bargess of Aberdeen caused bring to the kirk a bulen to be baptised, and convened his gossips small continents as the custom is." (a) Slender, silm, delicate, graceful, nest, a Scattish or northern word, introduced in the 19th century into English literature, origin obscure, cf. gim smart and spruce: "Satia waistonat, Becoming to a youth so jump and silm."

today Professor Struther Arnott, vice-chancellor, University of St An-drews, 58; Mr N.W. Ayrton, theatre and opera director, 68; Mr Ronnie Barker, cornedian, 63; Sir Leon Brittan, QC, a vice-president, European Communities, 53; Sir Colin Davis, conductor, 65; Mr Michael Douglas, actor, 48: Sir John Farr, MP, 70: Sir Florinel Glasspole, former Governor-Gen-eral of Jamaica, 83; Mr John Hills, racelouse trainer, 32; Sir David Hunt, diplomat, 79; Lieutenant-General Sir Edward Jones, 56; Miss Felicity Kendal, actress, 46; Professor Sir William Mitchell, physicist, 67; Mrs Phyllis Pearsall. founder, or, twis Fright Featson, founder, age, so, and the Company, 86; Mr Timothy Severin, author and explorer, 52; Miss Vivien Stern, director, Nacro. 51: Commandant Daphne Swal

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law, former director, WRNS, 60;

Reception Failreight Commission

of their year in the United Kingdom.

Miss Rowena Vining, diplomat,

Service dinner Admiral Sir William Pillar pre-sided at a dinner given by the Naval Club and the RNVR Offi-cers' Association at the Royal Naval College Greenwich last night. Sir William and Lady Mars-loser sum the pricinal questi-

Jones were the principal guests.

Mr Edward C. McBride, American Cultural Attaché and Chairman of the Fulbright Commission, welcomed the guests at a reception held last night at the American Embassy in honour of the American Fullright scholars at the start

of St Katharine The Rev Malcolm Johnson, Rector

London from January !.

The Chapter will initially be formed by four sisters of the Community of St John the Divine and three brothers of the Society of St Francis. A deputy master will be appointed later.

riages

SIR EDWARD **NICHOLS**

Sir Edward Nichols, TD, Town Clerk of the City of London, 1954-74, died on September 19 aged 80. He was born on September 27, 1911.

EDWARD Nichols was in the thick of ferment over the building plans for the Barbican development by the Corporation of London. The Barbican redevelopment was having an explosive effect on the Court of Common Council. Nichols, by then Town Clerk of the City of London, found himself in the midst of a welter of warring factions and disputation as to whether the Barbican should be built this way or that way or indeed at

He himself (quite a progres-sive and reformist in his own quiet way) was a supporter of the idea. He lent a steadying but diplomatic influence towards its achievement which



even so took many years - too many years, some would think. Nichols was among them: the continued wrangling in committee disappointed him. Phlegmatically never complaining, he continued to give tactful advice but never lost his dedication to a new concept which he believed was in the best interests not only of the Corporation of London but of the City itself.

His reforming zeal included the amalgamation of committees at Guildhall, the streamlining of Corporation administration, especially by means of computer, the realignment of departmental responsibilities and the stimulation of increased regard and respect for conservation. On

V. N. Pillai, retired

United Nations consultant

in criminology, died in

Nottingham on

September 2 aged 83. He

was born in Ceylon on

September 13, 1908.

VALLIPURAM Pillai, better

known as "V. N.", was regard-

ed by many, but particularly

by the Japanese, as Asia's most

outstanding criminologist.

Former head of the United

Nations Asia & Far East

Institute for the Prevention of

Crime & the Treatment of

Offenders(Unafei) in Tokyo,

he was instrumental in estab-

lishing the institute, firstly as

senior adviser in 1962 for two

years and then as director for

six years until 1970. The

institute, the only United Na-

tions institute of its kind, was

established in Tokyo as a joint

project between the UN and

Earlier in his career Pillai

was head of the prisons in

Ceylon, as Sri Lanka was

known until 1972. The late

1950s and early 1960s were a

time of great political upheav-

al. In 1959 he detained the

assassin of the prime minister,

Solomon Bandaranaike, and

some years later was responsi-

ble for detaining suspects in

Sri Lanka's first attempted

the Japanese government.

conservation, however, he was an undoubted realist, once saying that "a living city" (the Corporation's proud boast) cannot be forever looking over its shoulder". Although quite a catalyst, he remained nevertheless a very private person, conscientious, cool and collected, especially under

He enjoyed philately, espe-cially dealing with Chinese stamps, and put together a notable collection. He found solace from the hurly-burly of professional life in the open air. He was a keen gardener and a regular visitor to the Royal Horticultural Society's gardens at Wisley near his home. He was a devotee of the Gilbert and Sullivan operas and found further relaxation with his piano on which he frequently featured pre-war

musical comedies. Edward Henry Nichols was born in Mansfield and educated at Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School and Selwyn College, Cambridge, where he played soccer for Cambridge University and for Cambridge Town. He was articled to the Town Clerk of Mansfield and on admission to the Roll in 1936 was appointed assistant solicitor to the Corporation of Derby. His tenure of office was interrupted by war service, four years of which were spent in service with the Royal Artillery abroad — in Egypt, Palestine, Syria, North Africa, and Italy. He was mentioned in dispatches and ended his war service with the rank of

lieutenant-colonel. On returning to civilian life he took up his appointment as Deputy Town Clerk of Derby and for one year (1948-49) he was Deputy Town Clerk of Leicester. In 1949 he returned to Derby as Town Clerk and Clerk of the Peace of that city. From 1954 until his retirement in 1974 he was Town

Clerk of the City of London. Nichols was knighted in 1972. He was the recipient of many foreign orders, including that of the Chevalier of the Order of the North Star of Sweden. He was a member of

the City Livery Club.
In 1941, after a four weeks' engagement because the war was on and he was about to go overseas, he married Gwendolyn Elgar who, with their son Howard, survives him.

against

Bandaranaike, who had suc-

ceeded her husband as leader

of the dominant party in the

ruling coalition and as prime

minister. Piliai also estab-

lished one of the world's first

open prison camps in Kandy.

travelled extensively in the

Asia Pacific region and

Europe conducting seminars

in virtually every Asian coun-

try, even in South Vietnam

during the war. Visiting ex-

perts who worked with him at

Unafei included the late Bar-

oness Barbara Wootton (depu-

ty speaker of the House of

Lords, and an expert on penal

reform), Sir Arthur Peterson.

former chairman of the Prison

Commission for England and

Wales, Myrl Alexander, direc-

tor, United States's Federal

Bureau of Prisons, Sir John

Barry, Justice of the Supreme

Court. Australia, Professor Is-

rael Drapkin of the Hebrew

University of Jerusalem) An

honorary doctorate in crimi-

nology was conferred on him

by the University of Manila in

He enjoyed his years in

Tokyo. Six feet tall, he towered

over most Japanese, yet per-

fected the art of bowing, and

appreciated the Japanese cul-

tural niceties whether dealing

During his time in Tokyo he

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V. N. PILLAI

Mrs

GENERAL JAMES VAN FLEET

James Alward Van Flott, a US Army General who led his troops ashore on D-Day and later commanded the American forces in Korea, died on his ranch at Polk City, Florida, on September 23 aged 100. He was born in Coytesville, New Jersey, on March 19, 1892.

PRESIDENT Harry Truman called him "the greatest general we have ever had" when Van Fleet retired in 1953. "I sent him to Greece," said Truman, "and he won the war. I sent him to Korea and he won the war." In all, during the course of an Army career that lasted 42 years, James Van Fleet served in four wars and was always on the winning side.

Van Fleet was born to be a soldier. His grandfather, Joshua, fought with the New York militia against the British in the Revolutionary War. His father served with the Union forces during the Civil War. It was a natural course of events that he should go to the US military academy at West Point in 1911, joining a class that included Omar Bradley and Dwight D. Eigenhower.

It became known as "the class the stars fell on". Sixty-one cadets out of the 164 who graduated in 1915 ultimately became generals, but Van Fleet was hardly an ouistanding student. He was placed 92nd in the class, having spent a good deal of time perfecting his skills as a football player.

When America entered the second world war. Van Fleet was sent to France in command of a machinegun battalion with the rank of captain. He took part in the fierce infantry fighting during the Meuse-Argonne offensive in October 1918 and was wounded in action a few days before the war ended.

The years between the wars were frustrating for the action-loving Van Fleet. His postings included comman-dant of cadets and chief football coach at the University of Florida: no presage there of what was to come. But with the arrival of the second world war he found himself stationed in England as colonel in command of the 8th Infantry Regiment. waiting for the invasion of Normandy.

Van Fleet was 52 by this time, and his rank might have been higher but for the fact that General George C. Marshall, the Army Chief of Staff, confused him with another officer with a similar name who was known to be a heavy drinker.

Four times be was recommended for promotion to brigadier-general, and each time he was turned down, while former classmates Eisenhower and Bradley added bunches of stars to their epaulets. In fact, Van Fleet was a lifelong teetotaller.

The confusion meant that, despite his age, Van Fleet was at the head of his troops when they stormed ashore on Omaha Beach. He managed the operation with such skill that the combat team's objectives were gained with minimum loss of life, and he went on to lead the regiment through fierce fighting to capture Cherbourg and Brest. Twice wound-



ed, he continued to move his troops with such verve that in seven months he rose from regimental commander to corps commander. At last, he had his general's

Van Fleet commanded the 3rd US Army Corps during its drive to cross the Rhine at the bridge at Remagen and the subsequent thrust through Germany. He narrowly escaped death during the Battle of the Bulge when a shell struck the building in which he had taken cover near the front line: he was not one to issue orders from far behind his men.

After the war Van Fleet was named Deputy Chief of Staff of the US European Command in Frankfurt, and then, in 1950, with the mounting communist threat in Greece, he was sent to Athens as director of the Joint United States Military Advisory and Planning Group. There, his direct manner and complete lack of diplomatic subdety cut through the political chaos, and he directed operations against the rebel guerrillas so effectively that, much to the relief of his president, the crisis ended within a few months.

In 1951 Van Fleet was given command of the 8th Army in Korea, succeeding U-General Matthew Ridgeway after the latter had replaced the deposed General Douglas MacArthur as supreme commander. He led large-scale military operations that twice threw back commu-

of Ceylon in 1936. He visited

various penal institutions in

the United Kingdom in the

late 1930s. He was in Eng-

land when war was declared

in 1939, and often recalled

driving out of London during

the blackout on the A4 to

Oxford and on to Liverpool to

board one of the last convov

He was born into a Hindu

family, his father being award-

ed the Imperial Service Order

by the Queen in Ceylon for

services to local government.

He became a Christian in his

student days, a faith that was

unshakable. During his years

as an international civil ser-

vant he missed his family.

After retirement he made up

for this, spending extended

holidays with his children. In

more recent years his eyesight

deteriorated but he bore this

disability with great courage, still grateful that he could

continue his avid reading

habit, keeping up to date with

all aspects of current interna-

He arrived in England a

few days before his death to

spend a holiday with his

youngest son and his family in

Nottingham. He is survived

by his two sons and by his wife

Kamala whom he married in

Melbourne: to be also an Honor

The Rev John Russell, Priest-in-Charge, St Luke, South Battersea: to be Vicar, St Luke, South

The Rev John Shepherd, Priest-in

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shins to Colombo.

nist attacks, and later complained bitterly to Congress that peace negotiations had prevented him from winning the war. "General Van Fleet," said one junior officer during the campaign, "is a foot-slogger. He's a mud soldier and a foxhole soldier."

Throughout his career, Van Fleet had a reputation for caring for and respecting the men under his command. "I never want to command by fear," he once said.
"I never want to be accused of abuse of power. Power is given to you to exercise in kindly way."

Nine years after his retirement, during which he became a successful businessman, Van Fleet was recalled to active duty by President Kennedy to serve as a consultant to the Defence Department in the early days of the Vietnam War. There, he caused a certain amount of consternation by making a public demand for the dismissal of Adlai Stevenson, America's chief delegate to the United Nations, for his failure to support the invasion of Cuba at the Bay of Pigs.

Social niceties were not Van Fleet's forte. He preferred hunting and fishing, and his aim with a rifle was so deadly that he chose to hunt deer with a pistol. It was, he said, more sportsmanlike.

His only son, an Air Force pilot, was killed during the Korean War, and his wife died in 1984 at the age of 90.

DONALD GUTHRIE

Dr Donald Guthrie, Bible scholar, died on September 8 aged 76. He was born in Inswich on February 21, 1916.

DONALD Guthrie was one of a rare variety, a New Testament scholar who won recognition from the academic world while standing outside the university system. He was whole-heartedly committed to the Bible and to the London Bible College, which he served for 43 years as, successively. lecturer, senior lecturer, viceprincipal and president. He joined the college's lecturing staff before completing his Guthrie's name is synony-

first degree, and never left it. mous with his magisterial New Testament Introduction, originally published in three volumes from 1961 onwards. The fourth edition appeared in 1990, revised with Guthrie's acknowledged menculous scholarship. Other works included New Testament Theology (1981), and, for the popular market, Jesus the Messiah and The Apostles. It was, however, primarily through his academic books and a steady stream of articles in learned journals that he was

best known. His contribution

to New Testament scholarship

was recognised this year by the award of the honorary degree of Doctor of Letters by the Council for National Academic Awards.

Guthrie was an evangelical Christian and found no difficulty in bringing together scholarship and evangelical convictions. His was a scholarvoice in the 1960s and 1970s when evangelical scholarship was rare and scepticism appeared to hold sway. That the situtation today is so far returned to a more conservative view owes much to him. In his writing, Guthrie was fair to those with whom he disagreed, gave their views

courteous and serious attention to build up and built rather than demolished. Vincent Taylor, reviewing New Testament Introduction, described it as "scholarly, competent, well-informed, judiciously expressed, restrained in statement". Marcus Ward noted "the absence of that sarcasm which so often characterises the critic".

That was noted also by his students. He treated them seriously, shared with them generously and, on occasion, entertained them bilariously. Guthrie leaves his wife, Mary. and four sons and two

APPRECIATIONS

Canon David Diamond

LOOKING back to the days of leaving college and ordination, it does not seem 20 years ago that "Farver" Diamond (obituary, September 14) and the people of St Paul's welcomed me to Deptford.

I was asked at his funeral: You must have had a splendid training as a priest here?" But I do not recall any formal training, just endless work and an unending stream of people! This in itself was a tribute to the Rector of Deptford, for there were very few people when he arrived 23 years before, and then so busy that seven priests were fully occupied. Deptiond had come alive

with the advent of the new priest at St Paul's, though David Diamond always attributed this to God alone. There followed a great revival of community spirit and Church life. There were great Masses, street parties, pensioners' outings, the youth club, scouts, the Miller Hospital, the Deptford Festival, And the people of Deptford came and so did the Queen,
 Princess Margaret, the archbishop, the bishop, the Pearly Queen, Miss Deptiord, the Town Crier, the faithful, the curious, the wanting-to-believe. They became one in worship and a community centred on the Church. Such was my training! Long

night with a request for "Farver" to pick up some kids who had missed the last bus after a disco in Lewisham, and another day would begin.
The incarnational identification of God's priest at work amongst God's people and becoming the instrument that God uses to bring the unbelieving unto Himself: that is what I learnt. It was supremely exemplified in the sacrificial life of "Farver" David

hours, a meal in the Brown

Bear in the absence of a clergy-

house housekeeper to cook for

us, activities, administration, fund-raising, delivering leaf-

lets, and a crowded house with

kids off the street, callers of all

kinds at all hours. The tele-phone would ring past mid-

Fr Paul Williamson

Prof Martin Harrison

BY THE time I renewed acquaintance with Martin Harrison (obituary, Septem-ber 16) in 1987, he was enthusiastically engaged on the excavation of Amorium, in a primitive Anatolian village at the height of summer. Yet he had already suffered the stroke which handicapped him physically and in his

power of speech.

The enthusiasm, combined with professional worth and an exceptional gift for friendship, won through.

Amorium is firmly established as a major excavation and starting to restore prestige to British archaeology in Turkey.

For Martin, most of humanity was divided into the 'very kind" and others; above strikingly true kindness that dozens of friends in Turkey will chiefly remember him. T. L. A. Daunt

all it will be for his own

1986-92

Henry Calvert

YOUR otherwise generous appreciation of Henry Calvert obituary, August 29) may perhaps have made him sound a rather distant, even formidable, figure towards

those of lesser attainments. To one who had the privilege of knowing him only during his retirement, however, nothing could have been further from the truth. Henry was an assiduous attender at branch reunions of the Old Bridlingtonian Club, of which

he was latterly the oldest

member. He enjoyed meeting the newer generation o Bridlingtonians and was delighted last year to be photographed at the Cambridge branch luncheon with the youngest member, Polly Redman.

Henry wore his scholarship lightly, and younger Old Bridlingtonians enjoyed his company as much as he enjoyed theirs. He will be sorely missed far beyond the little world of academe, and not least here in Yorkshire.

M. J. A. Mortimore

1947

SEPT 25 ON THIS DAY

Violent clashes between Muslims and Hindus for over a year had brought India close to civil war. Originally intended for 1948, the dominion's endence was speeded up with the replacement of the viceray, Lord Wavell, by Lord Mountbatten, and on August 15, 1947 the two states of India and Pakistan came into

being. FOUR MILLIONS ON THE MOVE

The mass migration and ecchange of populations in the Punjab – Muslims moving west into Pakistan and Hindus and Sikhs trekking east into India --have now reached a scale undented in history. Accurate statistics are impossible to come by, but it is reasonable to estimate that not fewer than 4,000.000 people are now on the move both ways. What this means in terms of human misery and hardship can neither be imagined nor described.

Within the past few weeks conditions over a wide area of northern India, including the whole of the Indus valley and part of the plain of the Ganges, have deteriorated steadily. It is no exaggeration to say that throughout the North-West Frontier Province, in West Punjab. East Punjab and the western part of the United Provinces the minority communities live in a state of insecurity often amount ing to panic. Further affeld, in the eastern parts of the United Provinces, and to a less extent in-Bihar and Bengal, much tension and friction prevail.

In Delhi itself order has been restored after the grave riots of a fortnight ago, in which perhaps 2,000 people were killed and tens of thousands driven into refugee camps. Even so, communal feelings run high, and there appears no prospect whatsoever of the Muslims being able

tions. But Delhi, disturbed and tense as it is, does not reflect the deniorable conditions prevailing in the surrounding countrysis nor is it anything like as grim as the state of a score of cities ranging from Peshawar to Dehra Dun. Whatever official ments may say of attempts to create confidence and restore peace, it is plain that these do not exist over vast areas inhabited by perhaps 100,000,000 people. whose main preoccupation is to rid themselves at all costs of a potential fifth column consi of persons of opposing faiths.

vast conflict, amounting to an that it is difficult for any observer to form a conspectus or assess all its implications. But three questions may be posed and the answers to them are anybody's guess. First, has mob frenzy reached its zenith, or will fanati cism continue to exact its toll of scale? Secondly, has the mass migration represented by scores of convoys containing anything up to 50,000 souls and stretching for perhaps 50 miles along highways, and by dozens of evacuee trains, exhausted itself or will many millions more wish to move to areas inhabited by their co-religionists within the coming weeks? Thirdly, will the tremendous dislocation of economic life and agricultural production entailed in these movements result in widespread famine, possibly on the scale of the Bengal famine of 1943 in which more than 1,000,000 persons died?

On the first question of mob frenzy, it must be recorded that there is no indication that the blood lust of either side is satiated. On the contrary, and in spite of isolated reports of returning confidence, attacks by each community on defenceless vil-lages inhabited by the opposite community continue to occur. What is worse is the persistence of organized attacks on road convovs of refugees and the increasing ambushes of trains carrying refugees, in spite of the presence of strong military

Church news

Clergy appointments

The Ven Gerald Brown, Chaplain, Edmund's, Oslo, Norway and Archdeacon of Scandinavia: to be haplain, St Peter and St Sigfrid's. Stockholm, Sweden, and to contimie as Archdeagon of Scanding-

The Rev Michael Anderson, Vicar, Hordle and Rural Dean of Lyndhurst to be also an Honorary Canon of Winchester Cathedral (Winchesterl.

The Rev Dennis Barraclough, Vicar, Kirkburton, to be also Rural Dean of Kirkburion (Wakefield). The Rev Michael Broadbent, Recior, Middleham with Coverdale and East Witton, and Rural Dean of Wensley: to be Priest-in-Charge, Starkforth w Bowes and Rokeby w Roenall (Ripon).

The Rev Len Cox: permission to officiate diocese Canterbury. The Rev Michael Freeman, Curate, All Saints w. St. John, Clifton (Bristol): to be Team Vicar, All Saints, Elland (Wakefield). The Rev Andrew Horton, Pricqin-Charge. St Michael, Wands-worth Common: to be Vicar, St Michael Wandsworth Common (Southwark).

Vicar, Bedford, St Andrew: to be Vicar. Leighton Buzzard with Egginton, Hockliffe and Billington (St Albans).

The Rev Stephen Jarran, Vicar, St John's, Fishponds (Bristol): to be Vicar, St Matthew, Chapel Allerton (Ripon). The Rev Robert Jones, Vicar

Dudley, St Francis: to be Team Rector, Worcester, St Barnabas w. Tolladine. Christ Church (Worcester).

The Rev Hugh Lawrance: to be Vicar, Si Botolph, Knottingley (Wakefield).

The Rev Rosalind MacRae, Chaplain to St Austell Hospital and Mount Edgeumbe Hospice: to be Chaplain to the Royal Cornwall Hospital Trust (Treliske, City, Falmouth and West Cornwall

The Rev Canon Richard Orchard, Residentiary Canon of Derby Carhedral: to be an Honorary Canon of Derby Cathedral on his licensing as Priest-in-Charge, Bastow w. Curbar and Stoney

Middleton (Derby). The Rev Stephen Outhwaite. Rector, Milton: to be Master and Vicar, St-Cross Hospital w. St. The Res Canen Anthony Hulbert. Faith. Winchester (Winchester).

The Rev David Page, Priest-in-Charge, St. Barnabas, Clapham Common: to be Vicar. St Bar-

with justice ministry officials

or royalty. After Tokyo he

continued to served at the UN

secretariat in New York. His

appointments in the early

1970s included visiting pro-

fessorships at the University of

Illinois and in Canberra. After

retirement, he was invited as a

consultant to Venezuela, India

He lived a full life dedicated to his work and family. Born

in Jaffna, a Tamil, he attended

the Royal College in Colombo.

After obtaining his BA (Hons)

London degree at the Univer-

sity of Ceylon, he qualified as a

lawyer and advocate and then

joined the prisons department

The Rev Derek Palmer, Rector, the Dronfield w. Holmesfield Team Ministry: to be also an Honorary Canon of Derby Cathedral (Derby).

The Rev Christopher Parsons-permission to officiate diocese Canterbury. The Rev Paul Perkin, Priest-in-Charge, St. Mark, Battersea Rise-to be Vicar, St. Mark, Battersea

Rise (Southwark). The Rev Terence Pinner, Diocesan Director of Ordinands, and Priestin-Charge Desginate. Old Altesford and Bighton (Win-chester): to be also an Honorary Canon of Winchester Cathedral.

The Rev Colin Roberts, Rector, All Saints, Riverside Bulawayo. Matabeleland: to be Vicar. St John, Earlsfield (Southwark). The Rev Barry Rodwell, Bradwell Area Religious Education Adviser. be Vicar, Great Burstead The Rev Frederick Ross, Vicar.

Melbourne and Rural Dean of

Charge, St Peter and St Paul. Mincham: to be Vicar, St Peter and St Paul, Mitcham (Southwark). The Rev Nigel Stone, Priest-in-Charge, St Paul, Brixton: to be Vicar of St Paul (Southwark). The Rev Robert Teare, Rector,

Holy Trinity and St John the Raptist w. St Martin, Winnall, Winchester, and Rural Dean of Winchester, to be also an Honorary Canon of Winchester Cathedral (Winchester). The Rev David Urquhart. Team Vicar, Drypool (York): to be Vicar,

Holy Trimity, Covenity (Covenity). The Rev Peter Vargeson, Curate,

Yateley: to be Vicar, Bursledon

The Rev John Wells to be Vicar, Hanging Heaton, Batley (Wakefield). The Rev Ronald Whiningha Vicar, Silverdale and Alsagers Bank (Lichfield): to be Vicar, Brockholes Brockholes St. Mary (Wakefield).

University news

Vickers dermatology prize 1992: Lisanne Aun Lih Khoo, of Trinity College.

Professor Gerald Dworkin. Herchel Smith professor of intellectual property law at Queen Mary and Westfield College, has been appointed Director of the Centre of European Law at King's College London and Herbert Smith professor of European law. London University

Royal Veterinary College

Medicine and Surgery.

Appointments Dr Peter Chantler, professor of anatomy and neurobiology at the Medical College of Pennsylvania. to the Chair of Veterinary Cellular and Molecular Biology. Dr Stephen May, senior lecturer in equine studies at Liverpool Universay, so the Chair of Equine

Michael Palin, the actor and author, has received the honorary degree of doctor of letters from Professor Gareth Roberts, vicechalpeellor. Mr Palin was born in city and is patron of the

i weum theatre trust. The honorary degree of doctor of science was conferred on Arnold Aspinall, formerly head of the department archaeology at Bradford

University.

Dr Stephen Harris, of the department of zoology, has been ap-pointed as the first holder of the Dulverton chair in environmental sciences. The chair has been Dulverton, who died in February. Dr Stephen John Hogan, SERC advanced fellow, Mathematical Institute, Oxford, has been appointed professor in mathematics in the faculty of engineering. Dr Charles Martindale, reader in Latin and comparative literature. has been appointed to the chair in

Honorary degrees are to be conferred upon the following: Professor Peter Scott, professor of education at Leeds University and formerly editor of The Times Higher Education Supplement

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Kohl denies plan to build 'mini-EC' of five nations

By Ian Murray in bonn and Our Foreign Staff

HELMUT Kohl, the German chancellor, moved swiftly yesterday to deny reports that he and President Mitterrand had agreed in Paris on Tuesday to form a five-nation "mini-Europe" inside the European Community to get round Danish and British reluctance to forge ahead with European union. His denial came as the Bundesbank continued its expensive intervention to steady

The recent strains on the European Monetary System (EMS) have also convinced backbenchers of all main par-ties in Germany that the Bundestag must have a final say on the introduction of a common currency. That amounts to an opt-out clause for Germany, although members of the parliament's European affairs committee were careful to say yesterday that that process would not constitute a second ratification" for the Maastricht treaty.

Relative calm returned to the financial markets yesterday as speculators eased their pressure on the franc in the face of the combined offensive by the French and German governments. The French and German central banks were forced to buy further large quantities of francs to prop up the currency, but the determination of the two countries to save the EMS deterred traders from continuing with the hammering that they had inflicted on the currency on

Wednesday. Traders said they believed that the Bank of France was close to running out of money to support the franc, but they were cautious about staging a big sell-off, fearing that the Bundesbank would put up a strong defence. The franc closed the day well above its "floor" in the exchange-rate mechanism. A spokesman for Michel Sapin, the French finance minister, said that the government was growing inworst was over, but they would have to wait until the weekend to see if they had truly beaten

the currency speculators. Concern about the stability of any future common mone tary system has prompted Karl Otto Pöhl, the former Bundesbank president, to suggest a "mini-EMS" of countries with strong currencies. Writing in this week's edition of the Swiss newspaper, Weltwoche, he suggested that Germany, France, Denmark and the Benelux countries might be joined by Switzerland and Austria in what would amount to an economic bloc based on the mark.

The reports of a new Paris-Bonn plan for a two-speed Europe, quoted in Die Welt, suggested that by 1997 the three Benelux countries would form a new nucleus in the heart of Europe centred on the Franco-German axis that traditionally has been at the core of the Community. The newspaper said the idea was to counter British and Danish attempts to slow the Masstricht ratification process.

Herr Kohl, who has become increasingly anxious about realising his dream of European unity during the past fumultuous week, instructed his spokesman to issue a statement insisting that "these daims are invented and have no basis in fact".

Jacques Delors, the presi-

dent of the EC Commission. said at a businessmen's seminar in Brussels last night that if states such as Britain and Denmark delayed European political and monetary union promised by the Maastricht treaty, a smaller group of countries may go ahead on its own. In an impassioned plea to Europe's statesmen to keep the momentum of European integration going, M Delots said that the Continent was faced with the prospect of decline if it falled to meet the present challenges posed by deep divisions over ratification of Maastricht and turmoil on

"If some countries are looking for alibis for delaying the treaty," he said, "it may well be that others will take an initiative. In the world as it is, we cannot delay."

financial markets.

Commission was working on solutions to stabilise the ERM, although he would not disclose details while the markets were still sensitive.

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Riding the Democratic bandwagon: Bill Clinton and his running mate Al Gore hit the campaign trail in Georgia with their wives, pausing to address the crowds from their colourful old-fashioned husting

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Smith's dazzling debut exposes Tory U-turn over the economy

Continued from page 1 per examination of where inture British interests lay, he said. "My expectation is always that co-operation is a better way, if it can be seen to be adequate - and no one should doubt that we will examine carefully whether the mechanism can be made to work. I do not believe that we shall be able to go back to the mechanism soon, or into the same mechanism we left."

Mr Major made plain that the Maastricht bill would not come back until Britain knew how the Danes intended to try to reverse their "no" vote, and until the new curbs on Brussels had been agreed. The latter condition is designed to placate the Euro-sceptics who have gained strength.

Mr Major, speaking of peointervenes too intrusively in national life, made plain that he was looking for a "definition, a settled order of what is for national action and what is for community action".

The issue is to be debated at the special Community summit to be held in Birmingham on October 16, and govern-ment sources said they hoped firm proposals would come before the Edinburgh summit in December.

Jacques Delors, Commission president, has indicated his readiness to accept new restrictions on petty restric-tions set by Brussels and on its ability to interfere in purely national matters, such as mo-torway planning. In the wake of the concerns thrown up in Denmark, France and Germany, EC leaders are believed to accept the need for a new mechanism setting out limits

on the Commission's power.

Labour MPs were voicing delight at Mr Smith's debut which has boosted party morale in the run-up to the annual conference next week. He threw back at the prime that he had made saying there would be no devaluation. "We have a government whose economic policy is in tatters, whose credibility is blown. whose competence has been exposed." He claimed Britian was lurching back to

Thatcherite economic policies

that "pulverised" the economy during the 1980s. He asked how anybody could ever believe in anything Mr Lamont said after his recent performance. "What has occurred in the course of the last week or so is not just an upset for the government's economic policy, but the complete destruction of what they claimed was a total political and economic strategy to which you yourself could not been hour more closely.

Mr Smith challenged Mr Major on why he did not press for a general realignment within the ERM once the extent of the sterling crisis became clear. This would have saved Britain from being forced to leave the ERM and the government from having up the currency. "If this had been done we could have had an orderly realignment, not a

have been more closely

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rout: a co-operative change,

not a crisis."

It's Dennis v Goliath in clash of the Titans

Continued from page I at last. Now rose a giant: Mr Goliath Heath, rather slimmer than before, his white hair soft and sleek in the television lights. John Smith, he said "has done rather well. if I may say so. But now we have to turn to serious business". He called for more thought and fewer emergency summits where "too much time is spent at lunch and dinner". "Yeah, you should



Skinner: taking up burden of history

know!" the Boy Dennis let fly at Goliath with his sling. "Indeed. And I've been trying to lose weight ever since." Sir Edward continued his argument, flattening Den-

mark with one swing. Mr Heckler continued his anti-Buropean heckle. Heath turned, exasperated, on Heckler ... "How can you call yourself a socialist when you have such a hatred of your fellow men and women in other countries?"

Skinner's reply was full of words like "daft" and "dustbin". Heath thanked him for the moderation of his lan-guage and turned to assure another doubter that useful lessons could be learned from Canada, whence he had just returned. — "Who paid?" shouted Skinner. — "Not an Arab," snapped Sir Edward.

ner, "while you're winning." It was good advice. Sadly, Sir Edward did not take it. Mr Major stared glassily into the middle-distance. Minor earthquake, Sir

Edward and Mr Skinner unhurt. The prime minister also

Mellor quits as Major struggles

Continued from page I ble. Friends of Mr Mellor said that he defended his position on television so that he might leave with some dignity.

The three women in Mr

Mellor's life expressed sadness at his resignation. Judith Mellor, his wife, said: "I am just very, very sad that some-one with such ability is not able to serve his country in the way he can do best."

Miss de Sancha said: "It is very sad he has resigned." She did not believe that she was responsible because if their affair had been the catalyst Mr Mellor would have stepped down long ago. She believed that he had gone because of the most recent allegations about his paid-for holidays at Mrs Bauwens' Spanish home and in Abu Dhabi. He had been brave and she hoped he would make a comeback.

Mrs Bauwens said that she was "very sorry" to hear of his departure. "My heart goes out to them and their children." Bryan Gould, Mr Mellor's

Labour shadow, who had accused Mr Mellor of breaking ministerial rules for accepting gifts and services, said that he was right to resign. He had come to the point at which he could no longer perform his ministerial duties. "Whatever our opinions about his conduct, the stories were about his private life and I can have sympathy with anyone hounded by the tabloid press.

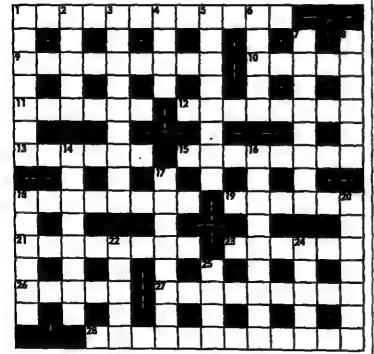
"But it has become increasingly dear that Mr Mellorwas in breach of rules regarding ministerial conduct and that has prevented him carrying out his duties." It was a sad day for Britain's cultural life, said Mr Gould.

"I cannot see anyone else in the Conservative Party who will bring the same vigour to the post, and the danger to the BBC in the run-up to Charter renewal must now be more acute." Lord Palumbo. Arts Council chairman, said Mr Mellor's departure was "a great loss to the arts."

Lord Callaghan of Cardiff said on ITN: "I am aireid that against the issues we are debating this afternoon I regard Mr Mellor's fate as totally trivial and not

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- 3 Balance ready let's put in order
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- of domestic power (4,4). 16 Soldier eating a coarse biscuit 17 Some in Paris restricting friv-
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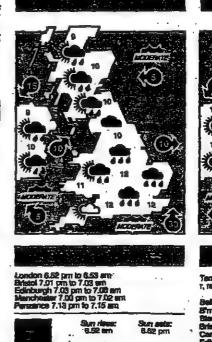
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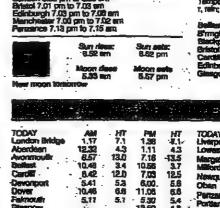
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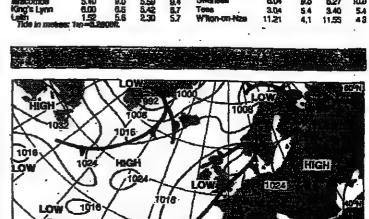
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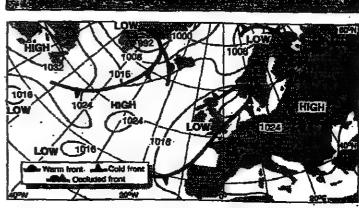








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My other car's a classic

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desire are on show on Sunday

You might have bought it just to cope with the weekly load from Sainsbury's and a daily troop of schoolkids who could knock

the stuffing out of an armoured car, never mind a humble hatchback. But before you give the family jalopy a kick on the way past this morning, think again. inside that rusting hulk, there could be a star waiting to burst on to the catalogues of

eager collectors. After all, one man's ageing runabout is another man's classic car. The collectors will all be there this weekend, at the Grand London Autojumble; prodding, admiring and smil-

ing at cars that 20 years ago

would not have attracted a second glance. Of course, there will be some genuinely classic cars, gorgeous Jaguars, Porsches and Ferraris which rarely see the light of day, cossetted recluses rising in value faster than the Deutschmark. But there will also be lines of Morris Minors. Fords. Austins and Hillmans. Who turned them into

classics? The Morris Minor was the runabout that Lord Nuffield sniffily described as a "poached egg". Morris went on to make more than 1.5 million of these small, ugly cars between 1948 and 1971. Their technology would hold few surprises for Daimler or Benz, if they could return from the grave. Yet Minors are out



A classic for the collector: the Sunbeam Alpine

there in their thousands. What makes classic car enthusiasts spend £1,000 on a car that was designed shortly after the second world war and needs constant care and

attention?

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They never bill and coo over a 4th-year-old washing machine. Ask them to do the family laundry in a 1952 Hoover and they would send out for the men in white coats. Noone can truly understand the true enthusiast, the doctors and solicitors who spend their weekends touring Britain for a

grommet for a 1949 Hillman. Now there are the young. newly wealthy muscling in. too. They already have a proper car (almost always owned by their company) and want something "special". The MGB is their current favourite. MGBs haven't been manufactured for a dozen years but there are more of them per square inch of road in 1992 than almost any other sports car. Look through the windsereen and the chances are that there is a driver just waiting for heads to turn.

If you spot a classic among today's cars, then dash out and buy a dozen, and wait for the value to roll up.

Then again, you might already have a classic in your drive. Take another look at the old banger. A bit of a clean-up and some polish and ...

KEVIN EASON ●The Grand London Autojumble, Kempton Park Ruce-

course, Sunder, September 27, (Oum to 5pm, Admission: adults (3. pensioners £2. children £1. Motoring: pages 7 and 9

A sad end to terms of trial

After six years as Master of Marlborough, David Cope is to leave teaching. Why?

ou can spot the head-masters in the cobbled streets of the pretty little town of Bruges. Tall, greying, reassuring and dependable figures, some with derical

collars or smoking a pipe.
This year the Headmasters' Conference has gone continental, hence the location. But what causes more angst than Maastricht in the magisterial bosom is the increasingly fragile nature of his job: witness the resignation, just an-nounced, of David Cope, the elongated, bespectacled Master of

Mariborough.

It has been a tough year. Heads have rolled at some of Britain's top schools: Helen Williams at St



Paul's; Nicholas Coates at The Hall in Hampstead; Nigel Richardson at The Dragon in Oxford all announced their premature departures after short-lived headships, victims of often ill-informed pressure from parents, staff and governots. All had taken on famous schools in the wake of long-serving predecessors.

The resignation of Mr Cope is different. He is well-liked and respected. In the past six years he has transformed Mariborough, making it wholly co-educational male chauvinist piggery, improving results (largely thanks to the bright girls) and lifting it out of incipient anarchy.

But his news has caused much slapping on the backs from fellow heads in Bruges. "Congratulations or commiserations." they say, not sure which is appropriate.

Tell, did he jump or was he pushed, like the other muchpublicised rolling heads? Mr Cope insists he was always planning to do something else at 50 (he is 47). But there is a subtext to his defensive statements. The glare of tabloid exposure concerning the universal teenage temptations, sex and drugs - what do people expect, when 900 mixed and excitable adolescents live together? - has got to him.

Parents expect headmasters.and headmistresses to be superhuman. We think they should be stricter than we are at home, but friendly. We like them to have happy families of their own. We expect them to be scholars, who turn out more scholars. We require old, wise heads on young, energetic shoulders. We even prefer them to be tall.

Mr Cope was that paragon. His track record as a headmaster was excellent. By the age of 40 he had turned around two ailing schools, Dover College in Kent (which he also made co-ed) and the British School in Paris. He had been a scholar at Winchester and at Cambridge - his five A-levels when he was 17 included something called History from Foreign Texts - but he was also an oarsman and did dashing things in youth such as understudying the late Laurence Harvey in the Carol Reed film The Running Man. At 21 he was already married to Jill, the girl almost next door in Ealing, but he gave up teaching at Eton in search of adventure in Mexico City.

Six years ago he and Jill and three children arrived at Mariborough from Paris, full of enthusiasm and ambition. He felt he had been appointed to be a reformer: governors always want either a consolidator or a reformer.

Marlborough had the reputation of being slack. People told him the school needed a firm grip. Even the Good School Guide, which gloom-ily called Marlborough The Graveyard of Headmasters" and referred to Roger Ellis, his predecessor, who had been there 14 years, as "gentle, remarkable and dearly loved", said the school's liberal, individualistic traditions were in danger of slipping into

He found an un-stuffy school answers he has done 20 years' refreshingly self-critical, with senior headmastering; he has faced chalboys who were "welcoming, broadlenges at three different schools: he minded, articulate and courteous". is looking for fresh fields . . . But he also discovered that there

was too much rule-breaking at the smoking and drinking level. There was no corporate spirit.

"I was also very shaken, having been in a co-educational environment for ten years, with boys and girls on equal terms and equally valued, to return to a blatantly male chauvinist world," he says. His own elder daughter, who had joined the sixth form, found it hard to take.

The boys did treat the girls in,

frankly, quite an unpleasant way, The story that's always told about those days is that when the new girls went in for their first meal, they had to run the gauntlet of having themselves graded, the boys holding up numbers, like in an ice-skating competition, rating their attractiveness. And that did happen. The Mariborough expression was 'Getting grief' You 'got grief' if you was right and their themselves. if you were a girl and you 'gave

grief if you were a boy.

"It was basically male territory.
The school only selected the kind of girls who would be robust enough not only to keep up the academic pace but to withstand the male culture. Shrinking violets were not accepted, on the whole. Even so, there was the odd casualty who left in her first year because she found the atmosphere daunting."

Beastly boys do not change overnight, but Mr Cope seized on the solution of making the whole school mixed from the age of 13. With a windfall of £8 million from selling off land (these were the boom years of 1986-7) he built new houses. The whole school became much more pleasant. The only flies in the ointment were the older boys, who objected to the character of their school changing. They did not care much for Mr Cope's new rules, like not being allowed to wander about the campus after prep. "It is an open campus with lots of dark corners for smoking a crafty cigarette, and many exits, and you can't supervise it like a police state. The senior boys felt I was too strict for Marlborough, which is supposed to be a liberal school, not a dull, conformist place."

memory of the more lenient and avuncular Mr Ellis. All new heads face this. The definition of a saint. Mr Cope says, is a head who does not think uncharitable thoughts about his predecessor. Mr Cope is saintly enough, but confesses that he must have appeared austere and remote. Even his commanding height was a factor. The selection committee that appointed him had been asked, "Please, let's not have another Wykehamist", and, "Could we have someone rail?"

They got a tall Wykehamist who



Civilising influences: during his time at Mariborough, David Cope made the school co-educational from the age of 13 and much less sexis

drugs and sex. It is, after all, his willingness to act openly about these that has made him so very exposed, the press coverage making the school out to be, he says, a "den of iniquity with rampaging adoles-

"All young people at any kind of school come into contact with drugs, or know someone who does. That problem is not one of school, it is a problem of the society in which

Mr Cope's draconian rule of instant expulsion - in his second year seven boys were expelled for drug-taking - remains. Only this term he has instituted a new policy of urine testing where drugs are suspected. It is now a signed condition of entry that parents permit this. If a second chance is

people think, a boy and girl are found together, and are asked to leave. We make it clear what the limits are." The expulsion last year of the 15

year-old-girl who was on the Pill "The girl consulted a GP in confidence. In a boarding school that GP is likely to be the medical officer retained by the school. It was his decision, which he correctly communicated to no-one but the girl. I did not know, nor did her parents or housemistress.' So to blame 'the school' is grossly unfair. I can understand people thinking that the school operated a double standard - and there is a tension between the moral basis of the rules and the right to an individual child to make individual judgments, and to confidentiality."

As all heads know, adolescents are not going to give up their predilection for transgressing. But after next summer Mr Cope at least will not be held responsible. He is taking a sabbatical in the autumn - he has a small house in London and a larger farmhouse in Gascony - when he will contemplate his future. Perhaps that will be running an international charity. something that would benefit people other than the well-heeled".

ecently, in Jaipur in India, an old soothsayer read his palm, gaining Mr Cope's confidence when he guessed the name of Mr Cope's mother (Eileen). "You are going to write a book", the soothsayer said, "a celebrated book." What manner of book this will be

Mr Cope does not know. The worst moment in the past few years came when his younger daughter was herself expelled from her school after a drinking episode. He did not blame the press — "It was an interesting story," he says. "Head of top school who expelled boys for drinking has the same thing happen to his own daugh-ter," — but he found it "distressing" to see his child described in

"I would not be wholly honest if I did not admit I shall be very glad to be free of what has sometimes seemed to be relentlessly hostile, mischief-making publicity at the expense of the school.

"You need a thick skin to be a headmaster, but then people who want to puncture it press all the

He would find it "emotionally impossible" to gear himself up to another school. "A headmaster is in the centre of a web, under a searching spotlight. The web is made up of different groups, themselves in conflict and expectant the pupils, the parents, the governors, the old boys, the local community, the media, and the public at large. All the pressures bear in on

"Parents want value for money. The fees go up ahead of inflation. They want good results, and the league table syndrome exacerbates this, although I don't think it gives anywhere near the true measure of a school's worth. On top of that the recession is affecting parents' abilily to pay, so we face the possibility of declining numbers."

Who would a headmaster be? Wednesday morning in Bruges, the headmasters and their wives cheered to the rafters the formidable Mme Gentzbittel, head of the Lycée Fenelon in Paris. She sported a black eye - given to her, she explained, by an aggrieved pupil who came to her flat last weekend. Father Dominic Milroy, lately head of Ampleforth and chairman of the conference, said one had to admire a youth who would take on Mme Gentzbittel. "But he was defeated in the end," she replied.

John Rae, a high-profile headmaster in his years at Westminster, will lift the lid off the lonely perils of headship in his next book, out next January. Heads appear all-powerful, but are never unfettered. A They are unpopular if decisive, and even more unpopular if they appear weak.

Businessmen attend courses on stress management, but there is no such training for the beleaguered head. Young men and women in their care are troublesome and their increasingly intrusive parents even more so.

Good men like Mr Cope are hard enough to find, and a re headship today is only for the very re



Also resigned: Nigel Richardson of The Dragon school, in Oxford

'You need a with the building programme. "I'm thick skin, sure there is some iustice in the critibut then cism that I seemed distant. I was not people who ubiquitous, strolling around the want to campus," he says. But after the fiveyear hurdle, when puncture it all the pupils who remembered the press all old days had gone. things got easier. the harder

He declares he is

now very happy

with the feel of the

CAROL LEONARD | ment shared responsibility

principles now matter as much as

the boys'. Mr Cope has done well.

So why go? He reels off the

People think, if you are doing that you must have a masschool; the social tone is right. The sive problem. But I care more for senior prefect is the remarkable real welfare than our image in the Bronie Flecker, daughter of a media. I am confident we are doing former Mariborough housemaster. the right thing." and the third girl to be senior prefect. Girls' achievements and

Sex. Mr Cope says, is quite simple. It is not allowed. "We have a strict, clear rule in black and white, that explicit sexual relations, anything that I consider to be sexual impropriety, and anything described as sexual harassment, will lead so expulsion. From time to time, human nature being what it So let us talk, Mr Cope, about is, but far less frequently than

allowed, periodic

urine testing is

borough is no

worse than many

schools, but Mr

Cope's candour

suggests otherwise.

"I think we have

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matter. It may be

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Royal Opera House, Covern Garden, WC2 (071-240 1066), tonight, 7.30pm.

balanced English National Opera production of Verdil's compelling opera under the baton of the estimable Mark. Elder Tysephine Barstow takes

Verdi's dramatic soprang roles, that of Leonora; Edmund Barham is at his best

as Don Alvero; and John Connell, Arme-Marie Owers and Jonathan Summers make a fine supporting cast. Richard Hudson's 19th-century

costumes are set against a brightly coloured abstract set. Golfseum, St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (071-836 3161), tonight, 7pm.

KOKUMA DANCE THEATRE: The

the drum from its roots in African

Birmingham-based troupe presents th premiere of History of the Drum, a ne-work which follows the development:

the drum from its roots in Atrican culture through to America via the Caribbean and on to the rest of the world. The piece ends with the transition of the instrument into the dreaded drum machine. Alexandra Theatre, Suffolk Street, Barmingham (021-643 3325), bonight, 7 30em.

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presses in on all sides. The Pit. Barbican, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891) Tonight, tomorro 7.15pm, mait tomorrow, 2pm.

FROM A JACK TO A KIME: Witty and stylesh version of Macbeth's climb to

the top, set in the world of rock bands and packed with Sothes songs, Ambassadors, West Street, London

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CI GRAND HOTEL: Musical barley sugar. Berlin in the Twenties. Sentimental, American, entertaining Dominion. Tottenham Court Road

mats Thurs, Sat. 2.30pm, 120mms.

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AN INSPECTOR CALLS: Stephen

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A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Kari Knight

DAVID MASSINGHAM DANCE THE young company offers two world premieres and a London premiere of works by Massingham in its first appearance at the West End theatre. Scrum, an exploration of the sport of rugby, is set to music by Shostakowch; To Power interacts movement with To Power interacts movement with form, shadow and light, utilising sculptures by Charles Quick; and Severance meditates on the meaning Bloomsbury Theatre, Gordon Street, London WC1 (071-387 9629), tonight,

HOE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: The BBCSD under Andrew Davis opers its series The British Line on Sunday. The first concert sandwiches Babi Yar, by the sometimes controversial young composer Sieve Martland, between the four Sea Interludes from British's Peter Company the Sunday Sunday. Grimes and the Symphony No 4 by Vaughan Williams (from 6.45pm in the vaughan wallans (mom 6.45pm in the foyer there is also a chance to hear mon Martland played on two pianos). The next concert is on Wednesday. Festival Hall, South Barts, London SEI (071-928 8800), Sun, 7.30pm. HALLARAMONIA: The orchestral launches its Music of Today series to encourage a wader understanding of music from the second half of this century. James MacMillan will lead a performance and discussion of his music-theatre work Busqueda. The piece forms a prelude to Eigar's choral setting of Cardinal Newman's poem,

Zukerman plays a sofo recital. Symphony Hall, Broad Street, Birmingham (127-212 3333), for ARITISH FESTIVAL OF VISUAL THEATRE: longleurs schedules two weekends of comedy, cabaret and performance in the festival. The first offers stand-ups John Lenahan and John Moloney, visual comic Dave Schneider, The Brighton Bottle Orchestra, Gothic rockers The Rubber

Yevgeny Svetlanov). Festival Half, South Bank, London SE1

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Bishops and Juggler Paul Morocco. Jongleurs, 49 Laventier Gardens, London SW11 (071-924 2248), tonin Born; tomorrow, 6pm and 10.30pm. BARMARA THOM/SOME kneed asket jazz from the satephonist and her group Paraphernally. Ronnie Soutt's, Broad Street, Birmingham (021-643 4525), tonight,

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THEATRE: LONDON

Freud muddies the millrace

LONDON fought hard against the Viking invader in 1891. When Ibsen's Rosmersholm opened in February, the notices were almost as bad as those Ghosts was to receive in March. The Times reported that most of the audience left in perplexity, "conscious only of having witnessed the proceedings of a handful of disagreeable and somewhat enigmatical personages". "Impossible people do wild things for no apparent reason," said *The Observer*. "Morbid impracticable rubbish," added the Licensed Victualiers' Mirror, ever anxious to protect the nation's

publicans from corruption. Well, the only foolproof tool we critics possess is the retroscope. It is all 100 easy to patronise our forbears for having failed instantly to succumb to the lure of the master. And some of the doubts they expressed have weight today. Rosmersholm is not the most accessible of Ibsen's plays, and its intellectual agenda still seems alarming. If only we could cast off guilt, scruples, and the conscience that makes cowards of us all! If only we had the courage quietly to destroy the people who deny us the freedom to become fully ourselves, as Rebekka West destroys Johannes Rosmer's burdensome wife! That Ibsen himself was soon to become infatuated with a series of young women hardly makes such suggestions more morally impressive.

POOR old Tchaikovsky. His Swan Lake music is entrusted to a mere two dozen or so players for this tour of Britain, while enormous loudspeakers stand or hang all around the proscenium arch. To make matters worse, the conductor Stanislas Gorkovenko takes some passages so slowly that they become lugubrious, others at such a scamper that they sound trivial.

The production, for the "National Ballet of St Petersburg", is by Viktor Korolkov, who delivers his one original touch when Prince Siegfried on his 21st birthday apparently has to show Mummy a book to prove he has done his homework properly. After that, Korolkov offers a somewhat cut-down but more or less standard version, in which the received texts of choreograpby come in insipid approximations, is she still under the magician's spell?

Rosmersholm Young Vic

No wonder the Victorians boggled. Indeed, something is amiss if we don't boggle just a bit at Rebeika today: which brings me to the vexed question of Francesca Annis, who plays the part in Annie Castledine's staging. Much is right with her acting. She resists the English temptation, which is to transform Rebekka into a crusading bluestocking, and instead presents us with a kind of platonic succuba, dancing about in glee at the freedom she is bringing Corin Redgrave's traditionnidden Rosmer. Ibsen, who wanted an anarchic siren, would have approved.

Yet the performance becomes con-fusing and self-conscious. Has Annis been influenced by Freud, who sus-pected that Rebekka's putative father was also her lover and thought that her bond with Rosmer was neurotically Oedipal? There is a moment when bent and retching, she suggests so. But then and thereafter she becomes curiously artificial, and spends the last acts crooning and swivelling about the stage as if auditioning for Into the Millrace, the pop opera that Schönberg and Boublil may one day base on Rosmersholm. Redgrave seems a more authentically troubled presence.



Francesca Armis: Ibsen would have approved of her as a siren

Though he is at first too warm and relaxed - not an accusation I expected to direct at this austere actor - his performance is the more striking; and there is sound support from Miriam Karlin, Bernard Lloyd and, especially, Allan Corduner, at once human and victous as the fanatic anti-liberal, Kroll.

Unlikely to convince sceptics that Rosmersholm is a great work, or leave them quaking at its audacity, this uneven production at least gives one of (bsen's more neglected pieces an overdue airing.

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He even sticks to that discredited

Soviet happy ending, in a form where Siegfried simply contradicts his previous fatal vow, wicked Rothbart collapses under a toppling castle wall and the swan maidens take off their feathery headdresses to indicate they have resumed human form. But Odette is left with feathers and crown:

mance, the ballerina's usual double role was split be-

tween two guest stars. Nadezhda Pavlova was Odette, the Swan Queen; Lyuboy Kunakova her double at the ball. Odile. The plot hinges on Siegfried's being unable to tell one from the other, so to have two women unlike in every respect (features, height, build, colouring) seems perverse.

Pavlova, with an almost unvarying glum look, danced smoothly but with

no expressiveness in her movement: the gestures became just decoration. Kunakova slammed her showpiece dances at the audience with a big grin. leaving us to guess how Siegfried might find this seductive. Alexander Bogatyrev, as Siegfried, tried to paper over the dramatic cracks by blithely ignoring them. He is still a strong and handsome partner, and presents his solo so stylishly that you hardly notice

how little he is doing.

The small corps de ballet of swans are well drilled, but the national dances at the ball are feebly done, as is the classical pas de trois. A character billed as Joker hogs much of Acts I and III: he is played relentlessly by Denis Muruev.

JOHN PERCIVAL

CONCERT: BIRMINGHAM

Working with the wild

THE money-men are agonising over the question of how much you can "buck the market". Or is there an inexorable tide in human affairs that sweeps aside the best-laid plans of mice, men and chancellors?

In cultural life there is a parallel dilemma. For creative artists the inexorable tide is that troublesome thing which we label "feelings" or "instincts". All artists must choose how far to buck this market; how much they should try to order their emotions. Too much control (called "technique") and the work is stillborn. Too little, and art

cardles into decadence. Pierre Boulez has sometimes come close to the first extreme. The "total serialism" towards which he moved in the 1950s was possibly the most chil-ling extermination of feeling by calculation in musical history. But he was partly reacting against the emotional indulgence (as he saw it) of late Ro-mantics such as Mahler. So this City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra concert, coupling Boulez and Mahler, was a fascinating conjunction of polari-ties — especially as Mahler was represented by his Third Symphony.

The work perfectly sums up his credo that a symphony should embrace "the whole world". If the symphony is sprawling, unruly, lopsided and some-times bafflingly illogical, then so is life. Mahler lays himself utterly open to "nature", both his own and his environment's. Wordsworth would have recognised a kindred spirit.

The strength of Simon Rattle's

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tame the untamable; on the contrary he enhanced the work's wildness Wind soloists were encouraged to risk weird phrasing, and Rattle himself was like a loose cannon causing merry hell below decks with bold tempo fluctuations and a penchant for the rawes

Mahler's message — that human existence is rich and to be relished even when brutish and short - was perfectly caught. The only regret was that the CBSO brass's rasping response to the huge opening movement's baleful demands took its toll in split notes and messy chording later.

In a concert dedicated to the memory of the contralto Alfreda Hodgson, it was fitting that Jard van Nes sang Nietzsche's words so intensely. There was also bright singing from pupils of Shrewsbury. Kingsland Grange and St Mary and St Anne Schools, and the CBSO Chorus.

Boulez's Notations I-IV are early terse piano pieces which he reworked more than 30 years later as virtuoso studies for a gigantic orchestra. Strug-gling to get out here is something close to Messiaen's rhythmic ecstasy and Debussy's textural sensuality. But Boulez damps down on such dangerous emotionalism. At 15 minutes it was

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Shaking out the dust

MANY still regard with justified suspicion what is nowadays clumsily called historically aware performance practice. It has taken just a decade to storm from the Classical era through to the end of the Romantic era, and it is true that an element of opportunism has contributed to this swift progress.

I am not sure, either, that very many string players asked to play in a way that would have been familiar to, say, Joachim could honestly claim to have acquired their style as if they were fastlearning Classical musicians rather than backward-looking modern ones. But when a conductor such as Roger Norrington takes a piece — any piece, from any era — by the scruff of its neck and gives it a good shaking to rid it of the dust accrued by over-familiarity, arguments simply dissolve. It does not matter whether the balance, the tempo, the timbre or the dynamics are historically correct when the music

speaks this directly. In these performances with the London Classical Players of the Second Symphories by Beethoven and Brahms, a contrast of chalk and cheese if ever there was, Norrington's risktaking paid handsome dividends. The Beethoven began with an Adagio whose easy speed removed a touch too much of the music's gravitas; but it led

to an Allegro con brio and fuoco.

Rhythmic features were almost savagely pointed, the dynamic contrasts as extreme as I have heard in music of this era, the colours painted with sometimes garish vividness. The wildly lurching finale was even more dramat-

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ic. Between, the Larghetto gave welcome pause for breath as well as cause for eloquent woodwind playing, and the Scherzo was delivered with firstbeat stresses aimost eliminated, so that rhythmic displacements felt the more displaced.

Warmer colours predictably spread across the Brahmsian canvas, but here also Nortington gave new life to the music. The Tragic Overture did have its slacker moments -- curiously when Norrington was making his most fervent gestures at the admittedly reserved beginning of the coda. But with the added weight of trombones and tuba, a sweet sound from the strings, and some excellent horn playing the work came off well. So did Brahms's Second Symphony.

Norrington shaped the vast opening movement confidently, allowing its lyricism to unfold at a comfortable pace but never permitting a hint of the sluggish phrasing we often hear with this composer. Close attention to details of articulation also benefited the slow movement, whose lovely opening cello line, thinner and more poignant than we are used to, sounded almost baroque while the Allegretto, lightly touched in, and the joyously resounding finale crowned a wholly involving

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London Galleries: Richard Cork on the first British retrospective of the work of the Cubist Juan Gris

Grandee of domestic grandeur

denied the chance to build on his achievement as a pioneering Cubist. He also laboured in the shadow of his fellow countryman Picasso, who dominated the Parisian avant-garde. All the evidence suggests that Gris, who had moved to the French capital from his native Madrid in 1906, began by hero-worshipping Picasso. But he found his own voice as a painter with surprising swiftness, and coolly pursued a personal interpretation of the Cubist vision to the end.

Now that the Whitechapel Art Gallery has provided Britain with its first Gris retrospective, the singularity of his standpoint is clarified at last. Nobody would guess from the earliest paintings here that he had spent his earliest Paris years as a prolific caricaturist and illustrator. The man who produced savagely anti-milita-rist images for anarchist magazines now withdrew into a purist world of household objects clustered on table-tops.

Two years before, Gris had become Picasso's neighbour when he moved into the legendary Bateau Lavoir stu-dio building. These early pic-tures, subdued enough in colour to help explain why he had changed his surname from González to the sobersounding Gris, suggest an interest in Cézanne and Chardin. But he may also have been feeding off a distinctly Spanish tradition, for Veláz-quez, Zurbaran and Meléndez vere all masters of still life.

Whatever his influences may have been before Cubism claimed first loyalty, Gris soon began to invest these everyday groups of pots, bowis and bottles with an arresting, crystalline intensity. Light strikes the trio of forms in Still Life with Oil Lamp so forcefully that they all become irradiated by the shafts. Each object is transformed into a brittle structure, stripped of detail and purged by the luminous assault. The prominent pres-ence of a knife in one superb little canvas seems apt. For Gris is at this stage almost a carver among painters, slicing his bottles with a dear-cut command of the line he had

out the dis

honed as an illustrator. By 1912, the climactic year for Cubism, his growing confidence prompted him to tackle a far larger composition. The

paraded more majestically. Rising from fruit and flowers defined with sharp-edged au-thority in Still Life with Flowers, a guitar-arm takes on the streamlined, glinting power of a machine age piston. The table corner juts forward like the prow of an ocean-going liner, while its leg bores into the picture's base as powerfully

Unlike Leger, Gris never dealt directly with mechanistic themes. He shared Braque's preference for a domestic world, where only the most mundane objects were subjected to the perplexing, multi-angled play of ever-shifting Cubist viewpoints. Compared with Picasso and Braque, who at one stage fragmented their paintings to the point of outright shattering. Gris never

as a road drill.

'Unlike Picasso, Gris never relinquished his feeling for the solidity of objects'

relinquished his feeling for the solidity of objects.

sculptural stayed secure, and in 1913, with The Guitar, he started thickening his pigment in a few, strangely swirling areas of the picture. This texturing stands in absolute contrast with the flat pieces of cut-out paper stuck elsewhere on the canvas. Gris clearly wanted to complicate his images, getting away from the uniform handling of the earlier paintings.

He also started exploring a greater range of colours than his Cubist colleagues. Outspoken yellow and purple enliven his Guitar on a Chair, while a light blue leaps out of a Still Life with Bottle and Glass. For a moment, he reverted

to near-monochrome in an unusually tall painting of a man in a café. Close-up interiors are exchanged, here, for a glimpse of life on the boule-vard. The man himself is dressed in black, and shows off his top-hatted elegance with a preening flamboyance. He is reminiscent of the dandyish self-portrait which Severini ed around this smallest paintings was now two related drawings show tered by the deeper, colder hue austerity, above all in a won-

how satirical Gris's intentions were. In one pencil study, the man holds a cigar rakishly between his teeth, while strok-ing his hat like a caharer dancer. The drawing shows how sternly he repressed the humorous side of his temperament in most of his work.

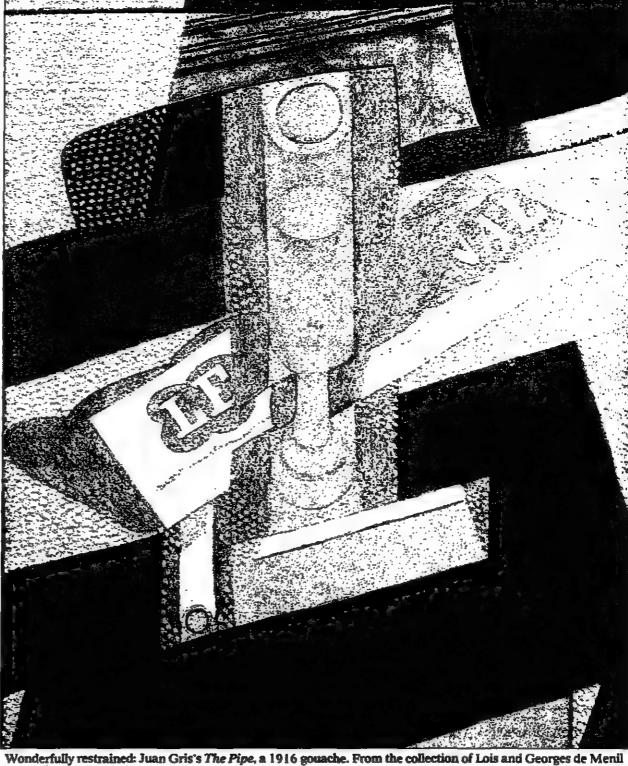
Man in the Cafe remains an exception, and the other paintings of people from this period are far more sober. One is outstanding: a superbly refined and incisive portrait of his mother, caught turning her head as if in response to an unseen companion. Everything about this deftly constructed head is alive with energy. As for the area around her mouth, Gris takes the greatest liberties of all in order to convey the animation of a woman who must have refished excitable conversation.

Perhaps because he knew his mother's face so well, Gris portrayed her with far more ters of the period. The friendly critic Maurice Raynal emerges as purnmelled as a defeated prize-fighter. And Germaine Raynal fared even more badly, her face criss-crossed by a crudely applied series of lines which resemble the bars of a

cage.
Judging by these surprisingly uncertain efforts, Gris was
wise to concentrate on still life during the years to come. His range widened, so that in one mood he could savour the autumnal abundance of the flowers spreading their warmth across one delectable oil and cut-paper composition. But Gris also enjoys inserting the silhouette of an upsidedown pipe, stark black among the sensuous browns and oranges spreading over the rest of the table-top.

The introduction of

the austere pipe typi-fies Gris's insistence on discipline. However seductive his colours became during 1915, most of all in a delicious Pot of Geraniums where sky and clouds make an unexpected appearance, they were always in-formed by a fastidious need for control. The most resplendent of his 1915 paintings is a large Still Life and Townscape (Place Ravignan), where the assembled bottles, books and newspaper flare with unusual richness in the lower half of the canvas. But the splendour of their pink, green and



of the street scene above. where trees and shuttered house-fronts are washed by a nocturnal blue. The whole painting appears to be floating

Gris reached his peak during this troubled decade. The derfully restrained gouache called The Pipe where the wine glass is as noble as a column in a classical temple. This sense of architectural magnificence never left him, and there are plenty of fine later paintings in Christopher Green's exempla-

beautiful image, ushering in a new mood of post-war relaxation where still life is juxtaposed, through an open window, with a white-sailed yacht and distant, green-veiled mountain. If Gris had not succumbed to uraemia in ry selection.

1927, he might well have Art Gallery (Control of the Bay is an especially developed this new interest in November 29

landscape. But we are left instead with a sense of failing strength in the final section. signalling the premature end of a painter who did not deserve to have his achievement cut short so tantalisingly. Juan Gris is at the Whitechapel

GALLERY CHOICE

• TATE GALLERY CLO-SURE: Because of work con-nected with the installation of the Richard Serra exhibition. Weight and Measure 1992". which opens on Wednesday. the main entrance to the Tate will be closed and the British Collection will not be open to the public for three days tomorrow, Sunday and Monday. The Turner and Modern Collections will, however, beon show and visitors should use the Clore Gallery entrance Tate Gallery, Millbank, SW! (071-821 1313).

 AN ENGLISH ARCADIA Many original drawings survive for stately homes in the National Trust's care, and for the gardens and garden buildings that surround them. This show brings together some 120 drawings made for gardens between 1000 and 1900. Included are works from the hand of such luminaries as Sir John Vanbrugh, "Capability" Brown, Humphrey Repton and Sir Edwin Lutyens. Hazlitt, Gooden & Fox. 38 Bury Street, SW1 (071 930 6422) Mon-Fri 10am-5.30pm until October 15.

●THE 20TH CENTURY BRITISH ART FAIR: This year art fairs have done middling to disastrous business. The 20th Century British Art Fair, now happily ensconced in the Royal College, has always seemed the most realistic in its goals and the most modestly domestic in its pretensions. About 50 galleries are trying the water again this year. The loan exhibition is of Texaco's corporate collection. Royal College of Art. Ken-sington Gore, SW7 (071-371 1703). Today 11am-8pm, 10morrow and Sunday | I am-7pm. Admission £6.

• UKIYO-E PAINTINGS: Japanese "pictures of the float-ing world" from the Edo period (1600-1868) are chiefly known in the West in the form of colour woodblock prints. But the same arrists also regularly made brush paintings; many of them concentrate on the semi-private world of the courtesans and geishas. and often they set up ironic resonances with concealed references to the history or myth of the past. The two-part show has about 100 examples, in the form of screens, hanging scrolls and albums. British Museum, Great Rus-

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ROCK/WORLD MUSIC

Voicing her own identity

en years ago, a London-born Asian teenager named Sheila Chandra appeared on Top of the Pops performing the decade's only Asian Top Ten hit. Monsoon's wistful "Ever So Lonely", sung by Chandra and produced by her long-term partner Steve Coe, is still remembered for that flight into territory otherwise occupied by Bucks Fizz and Haircut 100.

Despite the perpetual buzz of enthusiasm that surrounds all manner of hybrid forms such as Bhangra, Hindi film soundtracks. Asian reggae or Ghazal singing with jazz, no fusion of Indian music and Euro pop has managed to duplicate the feat.

For Chandra, such sudden prominence in our national image bank caused her to reflect on more serious issues. Now she is an extremely selfpossessed solo performer, but as a teenager her growing awareness of conflicts rooted in her Asian identity was exacerbated by pop success.

She recalls the difficulties encountered. "Living in an English environment." she says, "I was surprised when I walked past the mirror and

saw my face looking Asian. "In fact, I had developed a distorted sense of who I was. It can be a legacy of being born a second generation Asian here: you can lose your identity because there are so many filters and projections. These are easy for you to fall into when you aren't being well represented by the wider media. It is very easy to fall into

stereotypical behaviour." When Monsoon's follow-up single failed to dent the Top 20, their record company.

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Romeo and Juliet

Sheila Chandra, a singer drawing on

Asian, African and European sources,

Phonogram, demanded more hits please, no matter what the artistic consequences. Faced with the prospect of becoming battery hens, Monsoon's instant response was to disband.

Armed with professional confidence, partly learnt during Monsoon's brief period of celebrity, but also accumulated through five years at the Italia Conti theatre school and an acting stint in Grange Hill, Chandra turned away from

pop music.
"I wanted to slow down the pace, to be able to rehearse, explore and learn techniques," she explained. "But not because I wanted to be a housewife, as a Japanese journalist recently assumed."

egoniating the path that winds through personal and ethnic identity, nationality and the expectations of media and family has not been easy. Chandra's new music, developed in an almost reclusive fashion over many years, embodies many of these conflicting demands. Using only her voice, and accompanying drones, she will interweave an ancient Irish ballad with Muslim melodic lines, relate African/American soul to the subtle embellishments of North India's vocal traditions, or link a Spanish lullaby back

to its Moorish routes by means

of Islamic ornamentation. Offensive to purists, the effect could be academic or merely indigestible, but Chandra achieves a sublime logic with seemingly incompatible elements through intense control of her material. After a decade of recording such innotalks to David Toop vative pieces, she is now performing them before audiences discovering the powerful atmosphere that a solo vocalist can generate in the right environment.

As for her place within the music business, this remains ambiguous. Her CDs cannot be found in Asian record shops, for example, because of her refusal to bend to the peculiarities of the Indian music market. "All sorts of inherited concepts, including the concept of copyright, get transferred over here with the community," she explains.

"In some ways, copyright does not exist in India. In classical music, if you are working with a raga, then you are working with a nebulous form. Also. Hindi film music has historically cost very much less to make in India, so people here are used to buying their Hindi film soundtracks for £2.50 an album. When UK-based Asian labels originally brought our their alburns, they were £2.50 as well, because they were afraid of piracy. The community needs to realise that paying a decent price for an album means that a royalty can go back. With a flat-fee base there is no reinvestment in the work."

For Chandra's generation. perhaps even more for the generation that has followed it, the rules need to be



Sheila Chandra: she mixes many musical styles

Anachi Indian and Fundamental are British-born Asian artists who represent diverse new approaches, all bypassing outmoded stereotypes and opessive business practice. Not all of them can hope to repeat Monsoon's foray into the pop

charts, but their role in our multicultural future is surely more valuable than mere pop success represents.

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TELEVISION REVIEW

Bare-faced cheek, or how to apply the Max factor was like sneaking a backstage

peek at the late Harry Corbett

sticking his hand up Sooty and

realising just how lifeless that

animal was without Harry's

intervention. Clifford's ability

to boldly spin stories that no

man has spun before is capped

only by his skill in shamelessly

cross-promoting his various

In a typical multiple plug. Derek Hatton might rave about a record featuring gui-

tar-playing tennis star and fellow Clifford client Pat Cash.

who will appear on telly in a T-

shirt made by a clothing firm

Clifford represents, and then they will all attend the opening

of a new discotheque, also on

Sometimes there is just the

Clifford's books.

Max Clifford were trying to get himself the sort of dients as Pamella Bordes and Derek Hatton, chances are you would see his face on the front of tomorrow's Daily Mirror. Alongside would be a snap of a busty bimbo who is accusing him in big capital letters of tricking her into having sex in return for the promise of a starring role in a new catfood commercial, a contract which soured when she found out in bed that Max was in fact gay and was really after the bimbo's brother all along. Naturally, it would all be exclusive.

Of course none of it would be true but, as Max says, truth has very little to do with a good story and without a whopper of a tale his clients don't stand a chance of making the front page. As long as nobody gets hurt (apart from a few million gullible and manipulated tabloid readers). Max says there is no need to worry. His wife would know it was tosh, the journalists who paid lots of money for the scoop would know it was tosh, and the busty bimbo would know it was tosh, but she is desperate to ignite her career, so she doesn't care what she is made to say, just as long as they print

The greatest happiness of the greatest number is the foundation of Max's philosophy. If Jeremy Bentham were alive today, he would probably be in showbiz PR, too.

But timing is everything, and even someone as skilled in the business as Max must be envious at the timing of last night's Present Imperfect: Kiss and Tell (BBC 2). It was a picture of a year in Clifford's life and it reached the screen just as Max's name is becoming as well-known as those of his clients. This is due to his recent professional association with an unemployed actress called Antonia de Sancha, friend of Chelsea fan David Mellor. Even top fixers kill for that sort of lucky break.

Watching the programme



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CHROLLEUNARD | ment shared responsibility

As Parliament reassembles, Andrew Roth considers the tradition of politicians

enjoying the hospitality of the wealthy

he practice of politicians relatively modest means accepting the holiday hospitality of richer friends is nothing new. A prewar newsreel showed Winston Churchill painting a landscape in the south of France, presumably at the Cape d'Ail villa of Lord Beaverbrook, a well-known seducer of politicians of both the left and right. Later, there were other newsreel shots of Sir Winston painting near his host's home of Marrakesh, or aboard the Onassis yacht.

When journalists asked about Mrs Thatcher's summer plans when she was still in office. Bernard Ingham, her press secretary. seemed unwilling to confirm that she was again to be the guest of Lady Glover. He succeeded in persuading the media to a harassing the prime minister on the self-continuous formittee the selfthe only genuinely foreign holiday Mrs Thatcher enjoyed.

Until the Mellor case, there has been curiously little interest in the identity of hosts or hostesses entertaining senior politicians at home or abroad. I was in

the press party accompanying Edward Heath to China in 1974 after his February defeat. and learnt to my astonishment how frequently Mao Tse-tung had invited him there, before and later. Chairman Mao was under the delusion that Mr Heath, even out of office, could help against the Soviets with the Chinese.

Chairman Mao's hospitality ensured that we were welcomed at Peking's airport by 30,000 banner-waving schoolchildren. When we wrote that Mr Heath's welcome had been just short of that accorded a head of state, Chairman Mao

upped the ante. When we returned to the airport to fly to Shanghai, he added a military guard of honour, made up of smart Manchurian six-

Politician at bay: Mr Mellor in the headlines When the invitation was repeated. There was no such footage of the next year. Mr Heath punctiliously reported this Chinese hospitality in the first issue of the Register of Members' Interests of November 1975. He was supposed to do

this, under the requirement to

arising out of membership of the

House where the cost of any such

visit has not been wholly borne by the member or by public funds". The attitude of MPs towards foreign trips at the expense of others varies widely, as might be imagined among 651 individuals of infinitely varying tastes and scruples. A puritan stick-at-home

such as Dennis Skinner, who does



Politician at sea: Sir Winston Churchill in 1959, pictured on a holiday aboard the Onassis-owned luxury yacht Christina

not have a passport, is unlikely to accept any foreign invitations. Par-ticularly since his hair-shirted code of honour does not allow him to accept even a glass of milk from a journalist or a free hotel room at the National Executive Committee's headquarters hotel at party conferences.

At the other extreme, there are a handful of MPs of all parties who consider free trips abroad to be the most valuable of their parliamentary perks and, on occasion, pursue these vigorously. The MP for Tynemouth — known as Neville "Globe" Trotter — has declared more than a score of such free trips in the past 18 years.

In most cases free-tripping is not excessive and often means no more than visiting parts of the world a politician might not be able to afford. M.Ps are adequately paid but there is no allowance for foreign travel. The whips take advantage of such desires and tend to dispense those invitations which come through them to loyal and dutiful MPs. Quite a few MPs have accepted invitations to South Africa or Hong Kong as part of their political education, rather than special concern. Normally such trips have been declared, as required in the Register of Members'

few MPs bend the rules somewhat. Having been offered a free tourist-class Licket to, say, Hong Kong, they go to the PR firm for the airline and ask to have this bumped up to first-class. This would ordinarily cost more than £2,000. This has never been declared by any MP who has benefited from it, although the rules of the register demand the listing of any "payments or material benefits" received because they are MPs.

On occasion, an obsession with foreign travel goes further. Among the disclosures which emerged from the 1972 Poulson bankruptcy was the role of obscure Albert Roberts, a former miner and mines inspector who became the National Union of Miners sponsored Labour MP for Normanton in 1951. He showed his interest in foreign travel by becoming active in the Inter-Parliamentary Union. On their behalf he travelled to Bangkok, then Nice, then Warsaw. His free-tripping obsession deepened in 1960 when he visited central Africa at the invitation of the PR firm

Voice and Vision. He was invited next year to Spain at the behest of Franco's Falangeorganised syndicates, or imitation trade unions. Next year he was invited to Tanzania by Tanganyika Concessions or "Tanks", then headed by the former Tory MP, Captain Waterhouse. He showed his appreciation by writing articles flattering his host's activities. He also spoke in support of Portugal's against nationalists in

To continue his cost-free access to Spain, in 1963 Mr Roberts took over the role of Ness Edwards father of the current MP Llin Golding — as the recruiter of Labour MPs to attend conferences of Falangist syndicates, which encompassed free holidays. He be-came an apologist for Franco's Spain, making a famous speech defending Spain's right to Gibral-tar in May 1968. It was his Spanish obsession which led him to accept the invitation of the architect John Poulson to seek Spanish contracts for him. The payments he received emerged when Poulson

went bankrupt in 1972. Many MPs returning prematurely from holidays at their own or others' expense think that David Mellor has probably violated the rules for ordinary MPs, much less ministers, despite the prime minister's assurance to the contrary.

Among the few remaining Tory squires, there is a lot of tut-futting about how slack behaviour has become. There has always been a problem of unequal distribution of wealth, even among Conservatives. But if he was invited to a country house party, no old-time Tory would ever think of asking for his rail fare.

• The author is the editor of Parliamentary Profiles.

MINISTERIAL RULES

DAVID MELLOR'S possible breach of ministerial rules has caused him a lot more trouble among his parliamentary colleagues than his adultery. MPs still think written rules about their sacred institution at Westminster should be abided by, while unwritten rules need not be

The rules governing ministerial conduct were published for the first time last May, Questions of Procedure for Ministers is given to ministers when they take office. They are expected to read it and raise any queries with the permanent. secretary of the department concerned. More serious problems can be raised with the prime minister.

Two key sections of the rule book apply to Mr Mellor's acceptance of the expenses-paid holiday from Mona Bauwens and the loan of a car from Ellion Bernerd.

Paragraph 79 says that ministers should "not overlook the possible foreign policy implications of such day to day matters as offering hospitality to prominent political figures visiting this country or accepting social commitments of a similar kind.

"Such actions may be construed as significant by foreign observers of the United Kingdom. In any case of doubt. ministers should should consult the foreign secretary before making commitments."

Paragraph 8 i sets out the rules that should apply if a gift is accepted. "In all cases it should be reported to the Permanent Secretary. Gifts of small value (up to £125) may be retained by the recipient. Gifts of a higher value should be handed over to the

Department for disposal." Later the rules continue: "It is a well-extablished and recognised rule that no minister or public servant should accept gifts, hospitality or services from anyone which would, or might appear to. place him or her under an obligation. The same principle applies if gifts etc. are offered to a member of their family."

This is left up to ministers good sense, it adds. "But any minister in doubt or difficulty over this should seek the PM's guidance." It is understood that no ministers have asked the prime minister's advice on whether or not to accept gifts. Asked whether Mr Mellor had sought Margaret Thatcher's permission over accepting the air tickets to Marbella in 1990, Downing Street officials merely said that records were not kept "on that sort of thing".

JILL SHERMAN

Tom Kalin, hailed as a new hero for homosexuals, talks about his new film, Swoon

On location in queer street

hen the film Basic Instinct first came V out in America, pro-tests were organised against it. cinemas were plekered, and people wore spoiler T-shirts aying "Sharon Stone did it". The film was condemned as a gratuitous attack on the homoexual community because it portraved a lesbian as a nsvchopathic killer. Worse still, it flowed Silence of the Lambs. which had portrayed a homo-

Mrs Thatcher's holiday on Melita,

the yacht of Lord Harvington, the

wealthy former Conservative MP

for Nantwich, Sir Robert Grant-

Ferris. Nor have I seen any still or

frequent visits to Freundenberg

Schlöss, the Swiss castle on Lake

Zug owned by her old friend. Lady

Glover. From the late 1970s Mrs

Thatcher and her family have spent

almost every summer holiday

waited on by its staff of 18. Lady

Glover again persuaded the family

to spend their Christmas holiday

there in the dismal aftermath of

Mrs Thatcher's ousting from office.

television film of Mrs Thatcher's report "overseas visits relating to or

sexual man as a psychopathic serial killer. This coincidence was interpreted as a homophobic plot. There was much moaning about the lack of positive images of homosexuals in Hollywood.

Less than a year later, a new film, Swoon, which opens in Britain today, portrays two homosexual men as psychopathic killers. There are no protests. There are great re-The film's director.

What's great

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THESTIMES

messiah in the homosexual

Swoon is about two real-life Jewish intellectuals whose love became so obsessive, it allowed them to plan the "perfect" crime. In 1924. Nathan "Babe" Leopold Jr and Richard "Dickie" Loeb kidnapped and murdered a 14-year-old boy in Chicago, but were eventually caught by the clues they left behind and their

came an international sensation: their defence was based on the suggestion that their criminality was linked to their. sexuality. This allowed them to avoid death sentences by

pleading insanity. So far, so homophobic, it seems. But what takes Swoon out of the Basic Instinct league is Kalin's reinterpretation of the events of 1924 with the insight of contemporary attitudes. The prurient and vicious headlines, the bigoted ideas and the extraordinary medical and psychological the-ories of that time are garishly

Kalin thinks the main dif-ference between himself and the so-called Hollywood homophobics is that "Basic Instinct was, overall, a stupid movie". The man whose entire film budget was \$1 million (£588.000) refuses to take the issue entirely seriously. He does point out that there is presently a second wave of attack on Basic Instinct — it is now being panned by heterosexual women for being misogynist, not homophobic. But then there are the others who find it liberating that a woman can have sex with anybody she wants. murder them, and get away with it," he laughs. "That's at least messy and challenging."

t 30, Kalin takes an A appropriately world-weary tone. This is his first full-length feature film. and he has immediately been pigeonholed as a frontrunner in the "New Queer" or "PoMo Homo" (postmodern homosexual) cinema. Sharing his pigeonhole are Gregg Araki for The Living End. a road movie about two HIV positive lovers; Todd Haynes for Poison, set in a men's prison; and Christopher Munch for The Hours and Times, about a supposed dirty weekend featuring John Lennon and Bri-

"Well the market demands you become some sort of trend,

or you're just not sellable. First it was black cinema, then women's cinema, then the new black cinema..." He trails off into a snort. "Most film people don't see themselves as spokespersons. They ust get cast as that. Now this label. New Queer Cinema, is about us reclaiming a label used to denigrate homosex-

uals in the past. It's ironic.
"Besides," he says, getting into his stride, "there's not one lesbian among this year's bunch at least." He is disappointed that Christine Vachon, his producer and assistant director, who also produced Poison, is not getting the attention she deserves. "Oh it's all auteur-driven: 'Look at the new gay-boy

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director', instead of looking at it as experimental art. I would like to be seen just as a film

Kalin knew about the 1924 case long before he knew he was homosexual. Growing up in Chicago, he loved to look through scrapbooks which his mother and grandmother had kept of fascinating crimes. "It was the only alluring and glamorous period that Chicago had. They were keen on all

that stuff." His subject matter does have broad appeal. In 1954, Richard Fleischer made Compulsion, based on the same trial. and in 1948 Alfred Hitchcock directed Rope, but in both, the homosexual element was played down. "Hitchcock is so



Crime and passion: Daniel Schlachet and Craig Chester. obsessive lovers in Swoon

do nothing, he gives them great tension," Kalin says. He prefers Compulsion. which starred Orson Welles as the trial lawyer, and made much of the Jewish persecution aspect in the McCarthy era. He points out that Swoon is "very tame sexually".

What Kalin does much more successfully than the previous films is to establish the obsessive relationship which led to the loosing of inhibitions, both criminal and sexual. "It's the same dynamic you get in other films, it's just that there the obsessive desire always involved women. No-body says: These pathological heterosexuals are having too much sex and it leads them to murder. Yet Leopold and Loeb became the basis of the long-lasting myth of the pathological homosexual."

There is a rise in "gay bashing" in America, and next month one state is attempting to remove laws preventing discrimination against homosexuals. Kalin has been charting it all. "There's been a shift to the right. And the family values' stuff fuels homophobia. It's still a war

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Because of her previous prob-lems, she was referred to King's

College Hospital in south east London, which contains the Harris

Birthright Research Centre for

Fetal Medicine, one of the world's

leading centres for diagnosis and

treatment of the unborn baby. She

was given the chance to take part in

a preliminary trial of a pioneering

method of screening.

The new screening test, developed by Kypros Nicolaides, the centre's director and professor of

foetal medicine, is based on exist-

ing ultrasound techniques which

are pain-free, non-invasive and

carry no risk of miscarriage. Mrs Clark was one of 1,500 volunteers

who took part in the two-year trial,

lead to a simple screening test, which Professor Nicolaides hopes

will be available to all women in all

hospitals in the country, regardless

Professor Nicolaides has found

that 90 per cent of those who are

pregnant with a baby with Down's

can be detected by the presence of a

large black "space" behind the

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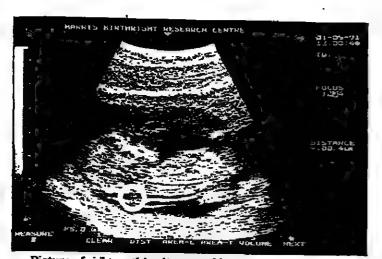
scan. Spina bifida could be detected

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high: one in 45 (see chart).



Picture of risk: on this ultrasound image the "dark space" marker which indicates a baby has an increased chance of being born severely handicapped is shown in the circle

arbara Clark believes in her right to choose. She chose her career carefully and, like many professional women, she chose to delay having a family until her late thirties. But she knew that choice had its price - her age meant the baby had an increased risk of being born severely handicapped, and the test to check this increased the possibility of miscarriage. But Mrs Clark has now become

one of the first to benefit from a new, pain-free ultrasound method of screening for Down's syndrome. and other less common disorders that promises to take much of the agony out of that choice. The test carries no risk of miscarriage, and might mean that only those at the very highest risk of having an affected baby will have to progress to the more dangerous and uncomfortable tests now on offer.

For the five years up to her fortieth birthday. Mrs Clark, a London barrister, and her husband, a solicitor, had hoped for a baby. When she became pregnant last year they were delighted, but when she was three months pregnant, the haby she was carrying

In January this year, she gave birth to Helena, now eight months old and perfectly healthy. The possibility of losing this baby, too. made it difficult to contemplate either of the present tests for Down's - amniocentesis and chorionic villus sampling (CVS) - both of which carry about a one in 100 risk of miscarrying a healthy baby even if performed by a consultant who specialises in the technique. At 40, statistically, Mrs Clark's Aileen Ballantyne reports on a new

ultrasound screening for Down's syndrome that could soon be

made available

to all pregnant women

year at King's College Hospital for up to 20,000 women of all ages when they are only 11 weeks pregnant. His aim is to make it

vailable to all women. The dark "space" that shows up on the test is an additional volume of fluid, which is a marker for the characteristically foreshortened neck of babies with Down's. A woman whose unborn baby carries the marker will be given a statistical estimate of her risk of having an affected child based on this sign plus her age. She will then be offered a free modified CVS test which can produce a definitive result within three days.

his represents a huge step forward. A woman who goes for this option will know definitely whether or not she is carrying an affected baby when she is only three months pregnant, and will be able to opt for a relatively straightforward abortion rather than the highly traumatic mini-labour sometimes necessary because of the built-in delay with present tests.

The newer, modified version of CVS, is quicker because it does not require waiting for the cells to culture, a process which normally takes three weeks. But it is considered too unreliable to be used on its own. However, Professor Nicolaides points out, when it is taken together with the marker it gives a definite result. When Mrs Clark was told her test

at this stage only if very pro-nounced, and would have to be results, it came as a pleasant surprise and she decided that, for further investigated at the routine her, the risk of a CVS was not worth full abnormality ultrasound scan at taking. "Statistically, you are no Next week, Professor Nicolaides longer aged 40, you are 32," Professor Nicolaides told her. is sending letters to all GPs, offering to carry out the new That means you came in here with screening test for a trial period of a about a one in 45 chance of having



Picture of bealth: Barbara Clark and baby Helena — she says she would not be sitate to rely on the new ultrasound test again

FOETAL ABNORMALITIES: THE STATISTICS

Risk of carrying a baby with:

1 in 110

1 in 90

1 in 80

1 in 70

1 in 50

1 in 45

1 in 20

1 in 15

Chromosomal abnormality

including Down's

a baby with Down's or other serious chromosomal abnormality, and you now have a risk of about three or four times less than that - about

For women whose unborn babies have the extra "space" behind the neck, or "nuchal tissue" marker as it is known, the new research gives an estimated ten-fold increase in having an affected child compared with other women of the same age. This means that, if her baby has the marker, a 35-year-old, who would not be offered either amniocentisis or CVS under the present system unless she chose to pay for it privately, is shown to be at just as much risk of having a Down's syndrome baby as a 43-year-old. Professor Nicolaides and his team are now working with doctors

at St Bartholomew's Hospital, London, who have recently developed the "triple marker" test which picks up three chemical markers for Down's syndrome from a simple blood test, but this test cannot be done until 16 weeks and its results are more complex to analyse.

The advantages of the King's College test, Professor Nicolaides says, are its potential to reduce the number of Down's syndrome babies born by 90 per cent compared with the estimated 50 per cent for the Bart's test; its simplicity, which means it could be put into practice in every hospital, and the fact that it

can be done so early. In an article in the Lancet of September 19, Professor Nicolaides argues for the wider use of ultrasound scans to pick up serious abnormalities, and stresses that the present invasive methods of diagnosis have resulted in only a small reduction in the number of babies with Down's and other chromosomal abnormalities born in England and Wales every year. The latest Office of Population, Censuses and Surveys figures back up his argument. They show that in 1980, 7.3 per 10,000 babies born had Down's syndrome, compared with 5.9 per 10,000 in 1990.

Down's

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Although the risk of giving birth to a Down's baby is considerably higher for women aged about 36 and over, most Down's syndrome babies in Britain are still born to younger women, because it is mainly younger women who have babies. Professor Nicolaides says that the present method of offering the invasive tests only to older women is picking up only about a third of the cases.

Ultrasound scans have, until now, appeared to be limited in their use for detecting disorders such as Down's at an early stage because of the complexity and length of the procedure. Professor Nicolaides

optimism that this test will be in use in all hospitals within the next two years is based partly on the fact that the marker is so obvious. Doctors have observed that bu-

bies with Down's syndrome also have a shorter than average thigh bone, and a missing bone in the smallest finger. These are difficult to pick up by ultrasound at an early stage. But the increased volume of fluid behind the neck is particularly sensitive to measurement by ultrasound, making it a suitable candidate for a widespread test. The use of this new marker as a

tool to check who really needs to go through the next "hurdle" of more invasive tests to he absolutely certain looks extremely promising. It is a calculated risk, but one Mrs Clark says she would willingly take again, "I was not so completely free of anxiety as some of my friends who had had CVS," she says. "But for me, it was worth it."

She approached the choice as she would any important decision. She looked at the percentages. Professor Nicolaides spelt out the risk: a one in 150 avoidable risk of having a severely mentally handicapped baby against a one in 100 chance of miscarrying a perfectly healthy one. Why did she decide to take the risk? She hesitated for only a second before replying: "Mathematically it made sense.

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On matters of the heart

SIR Geraint Evans died peacefully this week, greatly mourned by the opera world, eight days after suffering a heart

A coronary thrombosis is only one of the causes of heart failure. Many other hearts will succumb, to a greater or lesser extent, to high blood pressure, which has either risen to alarming heights or has been present for too long, to valvular heart disease, to thyrotoxicosis or a host of other

The mere mention of the words "heart failure", which can be sudden or gradual. can conjure up, to the layman, the prospect of imminent death. However, it is merely the technical expression used by doctors to describe the pumping action of the heart when its output is no longer adequate to maintain the optimum circulation to the viral organs so that they may work with maximum efficiency. In order to avoid unnecessarily frightening patients many doctors prefer to use the euphemism "heart strain", which probably gives a better description of the state of the heart. Although it might not be



MEDICAL BRIEFING Dr Thomas Stuttaford

pumping quite as well as it could be, many patients with the milder degrees of heart failure are able to live full lives, and many may not notice any disability even if they are taking normal exercise.

Although not a cause for immediate alarm heart failure, however mild, is associated with an increased mortality and needs expert treatment.

The signs and symptoms of heart failure depend on which chambers of the heart are predominantly affected. If the left ventricle is feeling the strain the pulse rate will increase, the patient will become breathless and may develop a cough, as well as feeling unusually tired. In right

ventricular strain patients will notice swollen ankles and may complain of upper abdominal discomfort from an enlarged liver. Left ventricular failure often leads to right-sided failure as well.

Generations of doctors have relied upon digitalis, or its artificial substitutes, to control the heart rate and rhythm, and diuretics to make the kidneys work overtime and, by passing more urine, ease the burden on the heart.

In the past few years a new group of drugs, the ACE inhibitors — drugs such as captopril (marketed as Aceptil or Capoten), enalapril (Innovace) and lisinopril (Carace, Zestril) — have been introduced. But despite their proven efficacy doctors have been slow to accept a change in their well-established prescrib-ing habits. Now, having read the evidence published during this year in the New England Journal of Medicine, even the most conservative doctors must admit that they owe it to their patients with heart failure to consider ACE inhibitors as a means of prolonging the length, and enhancing the quality, of their lives.

Healing hand

IT IS surprising how many patients tolerate the carpaltunnel syndrome without consulting a doctor. The syndrome is characterised by pain and tingling in the thumb and first three fingers. It may also extend up the arm. The pain is worse at night, and the syndrome can result in the patient losing strength in their grip and a weak thumb, leading them to drop things unexpectedly.

The carpal-runnel syndrome is due to pressure on the median nerve where it runs under a strap of tough, fibrous tissue at the wrist. If the tissue around the nerve becomes swollen or inflamed the median nerve becomes

Women are more likely to suffer from carpal-tunnel syndrome than men, and it is most common between the ages of 30 and 65. It has previously been noted that the menopause can induce the troubles, but until recent research from Israel was reported in the BMJ there has never been any suggestion that the symptoms could be alleviated by HRT. This is now shown to

be the case. For those patients who reject HRT, or are unsuitable for it, a minor operation, or even a hydro-cortizone injection, can ease the pressure on the nipped nerve and relieve the

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trapped, or "incarcerated". If the blood supply to the trapped part of the gut is cut off strangulation follows, and a potentially very serious emergency exists.

Because of the danger of incarceration and strangulation, an operation should always be undergone when a hernia is diagnosed. In all but older patients danger from surgery is insignificant, unless the operation is done as an emergency, possibly late at night when the patient is under-prepared and the hoshere is a new way to relieve the pain caused by backache, rheumatic and muscular sprains

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t one point in the film Hair Soup. David Suchet, playing the scientist Roger Altounyan, is shown in the throes of a self-induced asthma attack. As he struggles for breath his eyes widen with elation. "This is wonderful." he gasps. "It's the worst attack I've had in years." The moment is a neat illustration of the key elements of self-experimentation: courage, imagination and a resolve that seems to border on recklessness.

Dr Altounyan spent nearly ten years, from the mid 1950s to the mid 1960s, personally testing hundreds of compounds in an attempt to find a cure for a disease that affects over two million people in this country. An asthmatic himself, he would provoke two or three attacks a week by boiling up a hell brew of guinea pig hair to which he was allergic — hence the film's title - and then inhaling the vapour.

By the time he got to compound 670 in 1964 he had discovered intal, still one of the most widely used treatments for the illness, and probably shortened his life: he died at the age of 65 in 1985 after years of severe chest problems. His daughter Barbara, a BBC television reporter who appears as

herself in the drama. says: "All those attacks must have cost him something, but you cannot be angry about it because it was worth every moment to him. He was angry that asthma was not taken seriously and totally obsessed about getting something done. And he

did revolutionise the treatment." Intal is particularly effective for children and younger asthmatics: regular use can either prevent attacks altogether or substantially reduce their frequency and severity.

Hair Soup was produced by Kim

Gordon, Ms Altounyan's husband. There is a noble tradition of scientists using themselves in this way," Mr Gordon says. "I did some further research on the subject because I wanted to see how relevant it was today. It still seems to go on. For instance, I talked to a researcher who took one of the early beta-blockers and a toxicologist

who swallowed hookworm larvae." In his book Who Goes First, Lawrence Altman, a doctor and the medical correspondent of The New York Times, describes examples of those who have used their own bodies as raw material for research. mosquitoes in spreading the dis-

Liz Gill on the research scientists who double as their

own guinea-pigs

present day, doctors and scientists have given themselves diseases; injected themselves with new vaccines; swallowed new drugs; sub-mitted to experimental procedures; deliberately induced pain in order to develop ways of stopping it; subjected their bodies to extreme stresses: and gone without certain foods to study the role of vitamins. "I was amazed to find what a strong tradition there is of self-

'No matter how many lab tests you do on animals or on computer, anything new has to be tested on a human being'

experimentation, particularly in England, and how long it's been going on. The earliest example I've traced is to Padua, in Italy, at the end of the 1500s." Dr Altman says. "No matter how many lab tests you do, whether on animals or on computers or in test tubes, there comes a point where anything new

has to be tested on a human being. There are many reasons for selfexperimentation, but I think the overwhelming one is belief in the golden rule: don't do something to someone else that you would not be prepared to do or have done to yourself. There are other attractions: dependability - physicians and scientists may see things ordinary volunteers might overlook plus the convenience, availability and reliability of one's self."

For some, like Jesse Lazear, who died of yellow fever in experiments to establish the role played by From the 16th century to the ease, the endeavour can end sadly.

However, Dr Altman says he was surprised by the low number of fatalities. "Everyone talks about how dangerous it is, but I only found a handful of deaths. Occasionally someone is very foolish, but on the whole I think self-testers tend to know their limits."

In some areas of medicine there seems to be a tradition of going first. Many vaccines were taken by their originators and as recently as 1986 the French physician Daniel Zagury tested a candidate Aids vaccine for safety by injecting it into his own arm.

There are strict rules governing patient trials and tests on healthy volunteers, but self-experimenta-tion seems to fall into a sort of limbo. It is not mentioned in the Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry's extensive guidelines on the testing of new medicines. "Drug companies don't like it because they don't want the legal responsibility if something goes wrong," Dr Altman says. "A lot of companies have rules against it, but some turn a blind eye."

Paul Jackett, assistant health and safety officer at the Medical Research Council, says there are no specific official prohibitions relating to self-testing. There are guidelines from the national Health and Safety Executive which tell scientists not to use their own blood or tissue for experiments in genetic manipulation," Dr Jackett says. "This is because if there was an accident and a mutated cell was reintroduced into the original host body there would be a danger that it would not be seen as a foreign agent and the immune system would not be alerted."

he most memorable selftests have been the most dramatic. Most doctors will know the names of Werner Forssmann, the young German intern who pushed a 30 inch catheter tube through a vein in his arm into his own heart and so revolutionised cardiac techniques in the late 1920s, and John Scott Haldane, who seems to have spent much of his career at the turn of the century subjecting his body to extremes of temperature, oxygen deprivation or the inhalation of various noxious gases. The good doctor even passed on his enthusiasm to his son Jack. But much selftesting goes on at a more conventional level.



Testing himself in the search of a cure: Roger Altounyan. "He revolutionised asthma treatment"

Chris Curtis, an entomologist at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, is currently testing mosquito repellent by rubbing it on one arm and then putting both arms in the mosquitoes' cage. "You offer them the arm without the lotion to check that they really are hungry. We also test in lower and lower dosages until it

fails, so both arms get bitten.
"I only come up in little bumps, I don't get all itchy, and the mosquitoes are uninfected so there is no danger of malaria. I'm not being a great hero. But it is the best way of doing it. You get quite different results on animals or artificial membrane. It's also a lot easier. I'd have to go through an ethics committee if I used someone else and it doesn't seem worth it. This

the best sporting diet.
Athletes should follow

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potatoes, fruit and vegetables,

providing fibre, vitamins and minerals with only small

amounts of fatty foods. Sugar

The significant difference,

according to Jane Griffin, dietitian to the British Olym-

pic team, is the higher energy

requirements that élite athletes

need to maintain their train-

ing programmes and sporting

For example, a cyclist in the Tour de France, one of the

most gruelling endurance

tests, needs to eat at least

6.000 Kilocalories (or Kcals —

the correct term for what most

people call "calories") a day.

while an average man should

For many athletes, this

means raising the carbohy-

drate intake to at least 500

grams a day, equivalent to about ten baked potatoes, or

50 slices of bread. The prob-

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ing to eat such a volume of

food in a busy training and

work schedule. "The only

practical way to get it all in is to

rely on a combination of

foodstuffs including sugar products, says Dr Steve

Wootton, a lecturer in human

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The role of sugar in the diets

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Sugary foods and drinks are

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way I'm my own personal ethics committee," Dr Curtis says. An increasing aversion among many of today's researchers to animal experimentation may lead to more rather than less self-testing. Maureen Robertson devised her own research project for her mas-ters degree in pharmacology and plant chemistry from Strathclyde university after discovering that all the department's suggestions involved animals at some point.

Mrs Robertson, a member of Niche (the Network of Individuals and Campaigns for Humane Education), used her own blood to measure the action of a group of plant compounds on the coagula-tion process. "I used a syringe to take 20ml of blood three times a week for about ten weeks. It didn't hurt. I just feit relief that I was doing that instead of something involving an animal's death."

Ronald Mann, a former member of the Committee on Safety of Medicines and currently director of a drug safety company, remains sceptical about self-testing. "It's not particularly common and its not particularly commendable. You have to go back some time to find the classic examples. Drug develop-ment nowadays is done in highly controlled conditions, using carefully selected volunteers. It can be dangerous to start tossing the stuff down yourself. It's not reasonable, it's not objective."

● Hair Soup will be shown on ITV on September 29 at 7.30pm, except for the Thames TV region, where it will be shown on October 2 at 12.10am.

The tooth, the whole tooth ...

A look at the routes of holistic dentistry

WHEN you open your mouth you reveal more about yourself than you might think, according to Jorgen Steen Haitz, a Danish holistic dentist who will be explaining his approach at the Healing Arts exhibition in London's Royal Horticulural Halls this weekend.

Dr Hartz says that not only can your teeth and gams reveal your general state of health, but other complaints can be cured by correct attention to them.

An initial consultation at his dental practice just north of Co-penhagen would take approxi-mately 90 minutes and cost about £60. He would lamiliarise himself with your lifestyle, eating habits and any physical or psychological problems you might have. He might relax you with cranial osteopathy - a head massage which renders injections unnecessary or put electric probes into your mouth and measure the current created by metallic fillings. "If you have a current above 3 microamps, you have a battery in your mouth," he says. "The saliva becomes the battery acid, the teeth the electrodes and the metal ions leak out of the fillings and go straight to the brain."

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Holistic dentists believe that many physical problems can be caused by teeth and gums. "Each tooth is linked to a specific meridian in the body, and an imbalance in the one creates disturbances that affect the other. So an imbalance in the colon can cause disturbances in the sixth and seventh teeth which can lead to

toothache, decay or gingivitis." Unlike most British dentists he advises against "too effective tooth-brushing", and suggests using bicarbonate of soda rather than toothpaste, "to make the mouth more alkaline".

He also advises his patients to eat the sort of diet he feels the teeth dictate "About one eighth meat - because we have four canine teeth - and the rest grains. for our cow-like molars to chew. and fruits and vegetables, for our rabbit-like front teeth."

The British Dental Association

retains "an open mind". Bryan Harvey, its scientific advisor, says: The mouth can reflect the state of the body in certain extreme circumstances - very red, puffy and bleeding gums can be a sign of leukaemia. But holistic medicine won't cure active dental disease."

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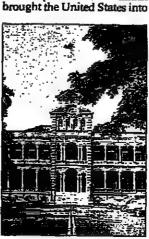
held this year? 2 Laurel and Hardy went on the trail of the Lonesome Pine. In what range of mountains was the trail located? 3 In which American city is the headquarters of CNN (Cable Network News)? WEDNESDAY'S ANSWERS

1 Norma Jean Baker 2 George Gershwin 3 Charles River WEDNESDAY'S WINNERS First prize: M. McDonald. Kilmarnock.

Five runners up: I. Weeks, Chipping Norton: D. Lee, Sal-ford: R. O'Hanion, Brockton, Staffs: K. Masado, London: Mrs Millard, London.

Miles of beach

Honolulu is the capital of the state of Hawaii - but it is not on Hawaii island. It is on a smaller island to the north, called Oahu, which means "the gathering place" - and it is here that millions of visitors gather from all over the world. You are in the tropics here, where the days are sunny and the nights warm, and the trade winds freshen the air. In Honolulu you can see the lolani Palace built by King Kalakaua of the Hawaiian Islands, and a few miles to the west a more famous historic sight - Pearl Harbor, where the Japanese air attack



King Kalakaua's palace

the war in 1941. But the main goal of the tourists on this island is the 2½ mile-long Waikiki beach, and all the exotic nightclubs and restaurants in the town behind it. North of Honolulu, the Polynesian Cultural Centre, has displays of the traditional life of the islands, while along the coast there are many more beaches with swimming. snorkelling and surfing.

Hawaii Island offers, above all, volcanoes. At Kaimu Beach Park, there is a beach of jet black sand, fringed by palm trees. There are fine beaches and wonderful scenery on all the other islands, and the little island of Lanai proposes the delights of the world's largest pineapple plantation.

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Sweeter side of an athlete's diet

The advice that sugar is for sportsmen can confuse health enthusiasts



That's good: a sugar drink refuels footballer John Barnes.

eating advice, according to performance. It makes no Action and Information on difference to the muscles Sugars, a voluntary network of whether their glucose energy health professionals, which comes from starchy or sugary this week staged a conference foods, although the rate at which different carbohydrates can be utilised by the body varies, and is known as the to wean 13-year-old gymnasts at the other end of the calorie glycaemic index.

Athletes are advised to refuel on high and medium glycaemic foods. Here a sports dietitian can help by working out the best diet to suit an athlete's particular sporting activity, taste preferences and

For the rest of us, the picture is far simpler. We are, on the whole, a nation of armchair athletes. Haif the adult population is overweight, and a third of men and half of

women aged over 40 are unfit to walk at a brisk pace for any distance, according to latest statistics quoted by the community and sports dietitian Karen Reid. Her main concern is to encourage people to increase their activity levels without increasing their energy intake. For recreational athletes tak-

ing part in a sporting activity once or twice a week, her advice is to stick to the general healthy eating recommenda-tions. "Most people doing sport at a recreational level do not need to increase their energy intake to any signifi-cant extent," she says. The 13 tesspoons of sugar in a single can of Lucozade are equivalent to the daily maximum amount government guidelines on healthy eating. Instead of con-fectionery and soft drinks, her recommendations for homemade sporting snacks include slices of bread and fruit such as bananas. To replace lost fluids, she advocates water rather than sweetened sports drinks. Her views on replacing lost

fluids echo the advice given to the American and Canadian teams at this summer's Olympics. "Bottled water. Don't leave the village without it". ran the Canadians' poster advice. In the American camp, boxes of the sports drink Powerade donated by Coca-Cola, lay tmopened.

However, Ron Maughan, from the University Medical School in Aberdeen, who has carried out trials on sports drinks, is convinced they can play a vital role in overcoming the two factors that can have a disastrous effect in endurance sporting performance: a fall in blood-sugar levels, and dehydration.

Developed from rehydra-tion fluids for babies with diarrhoes, isotonic and hypotonic drinks such as Lucozade Sport, Gatorade and Isotar are formulated with sugars and salt to provide fluid and energy in a rapidly absorbable form. "For top-class athletes this could be the difference between winning and losing,"

Dr Maughan says. The Irish Olympic team was advised to use such drinks. Twenty-two cans a day of Coca-Cola's Aquarius was the recommendation, providing seven litres of fluid. In hot conditions, this amount of liquid is essential, but there is no doubt that consuming sweetened drink this frequently could have damaging effects on dental health.

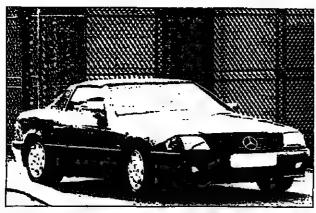
Dr Maughan is sure the evidence will convince more and more sporting bodies to recommend sports drinks, although he warns that not all are well formulated.

Action and Information on Sugars is concerned about their promotion to the public. particularly young people. "Our advertising and sports sponsorship encourages more people to take part in sport," claims SmithKline Beecham, which makes Lucozade.

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MOTORING TIMES

Two-way traffic in foreign parts



The Princess of Wales has given up her Mercedes-Benz, above. But the alternatives may not be as British as they seem. Kevin Eason reports

ow was the Prin-cess of Wales to that alknow though the badge might be the symbol of everything British, under the bonnet beat the heart of a pure Teutonic thoroughbred?

The Princess stumbled from one public relations gaffe to another this week. First, she returned her £72,000 Mercedes-Benz SL sports car as a gesture of support for the struggling British car industry. Tabloid reporters clapped their hands with glee when she turned up to an official engagement in a Vauxhali, complete with the familiar Griffin badge, the symbol that flies over the company's headquarters at Luton. Bedfordshire.

Unfortunately, her Vauxhall was about as British as bratwurst. The Senator is made lock, stock and gearstick at the Opel plant near Frankfurt, and imported by Vauxhall.

However, the Princess - if she was involved in choosing her official car - could be forgiven for the confusion. The badge on the bonnet no longer signals how British or German or French any car is. Europe's car makers have started to integrate their operations across borders, so that

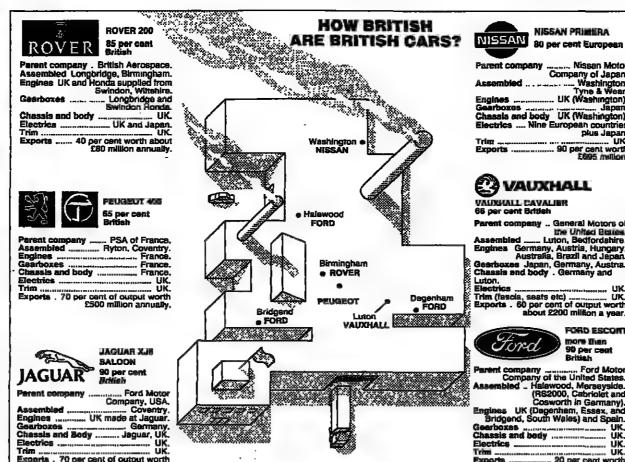
although a car is assembled on a single site, it may use parts from across the world.

Take the Vauxhall Cavalier, one of Britain's bestselling cars and considered by British fleet buyers an ideal "home" product. Cavaliers pour out of Luton at about 40 an hour, but are a conglomeration of bits and pieces from plants all over the world.

As a subsidiary of General Motors, Vauxhall can draw on supplies from sister GM plants for almost any components. As a result, engines come from as far afield as Japan and Australia, even Hungary and Brazil, while gearboxes come from Austria, Germany or Japan. The result: a car which is

officially 66 per cent British by value, although the official "local content" percentage includes everything from the wages of the Luton workers to the cost of electricity.

The Ford Sierra, the Cavalier's nearest competitor, is now made in Belgium, because the car was withdrawn from Dagenham, Essex, so the British plant could concentrate exclusively on making the Fiesta. However, the Sierra uses engines made at Dagenham and Flesta engines made in Spain.



Into the ring has driven the Nissan Primera, a mid-range saloon made by the Japanese company but at Washington. Tyne and Wear. Nissan's arrival on Wearside caused ructions in the European Community as France and Italy, particularly, complained that the Japanese product was an

infiltrator and unfair competition because it was essentially a Japanese model, not British. Is it? Forget the Nissan badge and consider the Primers on equal terms with the Cavalier and Sierra as a British product for a moment.

Only the gearbox comes from Japan, while almost every other major component is made in Britain or within the European Community. amounting to a total spend in the Community that will approach £850 million next year.

Is Nissan then, guilty of making a car any more Japa-Ask Rover, which designed

its 200 and 400 series saloons

and hatchbacks in collabor-

ation with Honda. ost buyers know that the Rover 216 models use 1.6-litre

Honda engine, although few may know that those engines are made by Honda in Swindon, Wiltshire, and supplied to Rover at Longbridge. Even when the components

are supplied by foreign companies, they may come from plants here in the UK. Jaguar uses Japanese air-conditioning systems supplied from Britain, while Bosch, the Gerwell established in Wales. The web has become so Continent complex that is almost impos-The slip this year may be sible to separate the truly

British from the foreign. The

fact is that any car built in

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ers in Britain.

Europe is likely to be a crossmatch of bits and pieces from Even the mighty Mercedes-Benz, the symbol of the purest German engineering, is now looking for component suppli-

The bottom line for Britain has to be how much more we import than we export, and there is both good news and bad news on that front. The trade deficit in automotive products during the first six months of this year jumped by 121 per cent to about £1.37 billion, mainly because our exports to Europe are starting Primeras back to Japan.

cession is creeping onto the

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disappointing, but the longterm view for Britain as one of Europe's leading car manufacturing nations is an exciting one. Vauxhall exports six out of ten Cavaliers, Ford two in every Escorts and Nissan nine out of ten Primeras. Jaguar and Land Rover are

key exporters, sending 70 per cent of output of their expensive limousines and offroaders to dozens of foreign markets. That means whatev er comes in is often matched and more by the engines. brakes, tyres, wheels, batteries and complete cars going back out ... even to Japan. Nissan conquered the toughest market of them all and is now exporting Washington-built

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FORD'S Escort and Orion will be the first British-built cars to get a vehicle identification number that can be read through windscreens. The VIN idea follows Home Office demands for car makers to make stolen vehicles more readily identifiable. The number carries details of when and where the car was built, and the car's chassis number is clearly shown so police can read it without having to enter the car.

Mean machine

AN Audi 100 TDI has won a place in the Guinness Book of Records for a world record fuel run. The car was driven 1,338.1 miles on one tank. from John o'Groats to Land's End and back, at an average 75.94 mpg on diesel.

Service noise

SAVING time on servicing is almost as important as saving money, according to Peugeot. which this week started its own radio-paging service for drivers whose cars are in for maintenance. A pager, the size of a key fob, is given to customers when they leave their car for servicing. When the car is ready, the pager is bleeped. The pagers are already available at 100 dealers and will be extended to all 400 by the end of the year.

Small wonder

FIAT will put its little Cinquecento car on show in Britain for the first time at next month's motor show. Production was held up by a 55-day strike in Poland, where the car is being made by a joint FSO-Fiat venture. The new car, which is only 10ft 6in long follows in the rubber prints of the famous Fiat 500, nicknamed the Topolino, which first appeared in 1936.

Making it up

NEW legislation will boost output at Caterham Cars, which can now market fully built cars instead of just kit versions of its Super Seven sports models. At next

month's motor show, the company, based at Dartford, Kent, will exhibit its new £16,000 K-series, which uses Rover's 1.4-litre engine with catalyst.

Bit parts

YOU might think that a stock of 30,000 different compo-nents was enough to satisfy any demand, but Land-Rover says it has identified 20 "bits and pieces" that owners just keep on losing. Now owners can turn up at their dealers for the variety of fixings. fastenings, clamps, clips and covers — down to a 40p cap which they keep mislaying -without fear of having to wait weeks for parts to be specially

Tall orders

THIS smacks of ganging up on the small guy: after decid-ing that the Honda CRX in the road test in last week's Motoring Times was best suited to the more compact



driver, 1 hear from all 6ft 3in of Louise Wain, who says she happily drives her CRX more than 1,000 miles a week with no problems. She disagrees with my 6ft 5in assistant road

Space increase

MITSUBISHI is the latest of the car makers to raise prices. The company says only a few models will be affected such as some of the Colt hatchback range which go up by between two and four per cent. The Space Runner and Space Wagon are both up 2 per cent and the Sigma saloon 1 per

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Cream of the big cats



f Jaguar fails to find the sales it needs to get out of this bruising recession, it will not be for want of trying. Nick Scheele, Jaguar's new chairman, has just unveiled the facelified models that will earry the luxury car maker into [993, and they bristle with changes that underline the "value for money" packages demanded by the marketplace at the moment.

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In comes a driver's airhag as standard, a new alarm system. more refined Alo engine and automatic gearboxes, plus styling changes that include deeper spoilers, faiter tyres, new wheel trims and foglamps. Inside, there is a new eight-

speaker stereo, environmentally friendly air-conditioning and "comfort" improvements. including better electronically controlled front seats. It will take the discerning

driver to spot the differences hetween the old and the new in what could be seen as a largely cosmetic exercise. The look is essentially the same. while everything under the bonnet sticks to the tried and trusted Jaguar formula. That is not the whole story.

however. Jaguar has spent the last three years in an enormous battle to find better quality on the assembly lines. Poor attention to quality costs car makers a formine, whether they build big, luxury saloons or humble hatchbacks.

Faults not spotted on the line have to be reenfied in the factory, tying up teams of

Jaguar's new range shows the benefits of the company's three-year battle to improve every aspect of

its production and quality control

workers on unnecessary jobs. If those faults get through to the showroom, they ultimately reach the customer, who is unlikely to be impressed by £30,000 worth of car that brings no pleasure but lots of garage bills.

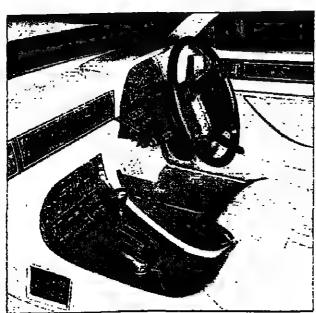
Since Ford bought Jaguar, the company has embarked on what can only be described as

a quality purge. Everyone and everything has had to change. The result? An eight-fold improvement in quality stan-

to Mr Scheele. The improvement has been enough for Jaguar to increase warranty cover from one year to three, with confidence high that the company will not be

dards in the three years of

Ford's ownership, according



Refined comfort: the interior of the Sovereign

stung by a huge bill for claims Now Jaguar is pushing the boundaries further with changes to 1,500 components in the 1993 cars.

That is a tall order because the company will not want any the new components to bring with them new faults.

Mr Scheele, however, is confident, in spite of the mauling that Jaguar has suffered both at home and abroad, in the course of which sales have fallen about 40 per cent from their peak of the late

He is already planning cars for the end of this decade, backed by a research budget of about £70 million, about 10 per cent of turnover and a huge amount for any company to siphon off. What he would like to see is

an upturn in Britain and America which would free Jaguar from the constraints of huge financial losses suffered over the past two years. The revised range of "Big

Cais" clearly offers a competitive package, with prices --from \$26,800 for the bottomof-the-range XJ6 3.2 saloon to the XJR-S coupe at £50,400 -pegged hard against the competition from BMW and Mercedes-Benz.

The changed cars may not turn Jaguar's fortunes around immediately, but at least they provide the company with extra ammunition to survive the difficult battles ahead over the next year.

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he motoring fuel of the future is already roasting your Sunday joint and boiling your breakfast egg. While engineers worldwide wrestle with more environmentally friendly alternatives to petrol, from battery-powered cars to vehicles that run on anything from methanol to sugar, the final solution could be much closer to home

British Gas is now spending vehicles that run on natural gas. This month it tripled the number of gas-fuelled vehicles in its national fleet to 300.

The company has already converted Rover Maestros and Leyland Daf vans. newest additions are 1.4-litre Ford Escort vans and two-litre Ford The natural-gas

test vehicles star next month at the first conference and exhibition in the United Kingdom on natural-gas vehicles (NGV),

The arguments for natural gas are strong. Compressed and stored in the vehicle in pressurised tanks, natural gas is less polluting than petrol and more readily available than alternatives. An estimated 1.5 million vehicles are already in service worldwide. Vehicles that now run on petrol or diesel can be easily

modified to run on natural gas alone, or adapted to "dualfuel" running. In Scotland, for instance, British Gas test vehicles are running on diesel and

gas.

Filling up is the same as with petrol or diesel. Using a fast-fill pump, the driver simply pulls up to the correct

filling point, attaches the nozzle and waits to pay.

In America, where about \$25 million (£15m) is being spent annually researching the use of natural gas, engineers are becoming increasingly convinced it is the answer. Some 500 gas filling points are already open in America. Carbon dioxide emissions are reduced by as much as 30 per cent compared with petrol, and exhaust carbon monoxide can be reduced by more than

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Canada and New Zealand report significant savings, with the bonus that the fuel is virtually impossible to pilfer.

The engines are quieter and smoother than either petrol or diesel and start more easily in cold weather.

What are the vehicles like to drive? Mike Wilton, public relations officer of British Gas says: "The feedback from our people driving the vans is very positive. They report that it is quite difficult to spot the difference between the gas vans and regular vehicles, except that the gas vans are



Plugged in: filling a vehicle with natural gas is as easy as with petrol, but there are very few pumps yet in operation

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The main obstacle is refuelling. At present British Gas has refuelling stations at four depots and is about to

double that number. For companies willing to experiment with natural gas vehicles, pumps are being

made available Mr Keith Nelson, NGV national marketing manager at British Gas, says: "Fleet operators close to British Gas filling stations will now be able to carry out their NGV fuel

trials without incurring the added cost of their own refuelling equipment in the early stages. In America, Chrysler has

developed a natural-gas-powered five-litre V8 engine and says the range is about equal to a vehicle with an 11gallon petrol tank. Ford in America is building

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on December 16, 1991 (the "Petition Date"), Maxwell Communication Corporation pic, debier and debier in possession ("MCC" or the "Debter") filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York the "Bankruptcy Court"). On December 17, 1991, MCC (filed a petition with The High Court of Justice, Chancery Division, Companies Court in London, England, seeking an order of administration pursuant to the Insolvency Act 1986 of Great Britain. On December 20, 1991, that polition was granted and Andrew Mark Homan. Cotta Craham Bird and Jonathan Guy Anthony Phillips were appointed as iotal administrators (the "Joint Administrators") for the Debter. MCC continues in the presention of its property and the management of its business as a debter in powersion under the governance of the Joint Administrators:

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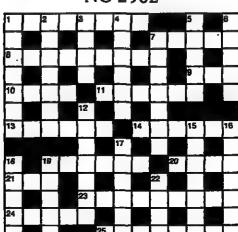
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Australian drama series set in a small outback town (\$724570) 3,30 Bugs Bunny Triple Bill (5998106) 3,50 Christopher Crocodi (3211922) 3.55 The Little Green Planet Show (s) (4233458) 4.10 Chipmunks Go to the Movies (s) (6218309) 4.35 Record Breakers. Includes Olympic gold medal cyclist Chris Boardman

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6.00 Six O'Clock News with Peter Sissons and Moira Stuart. (Ceefax)

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6.30 Regional News Magazines (125). Northern Ireland: Neighbours
7.00 Eldorado. (Ceefax) (s) (2090)

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create an album of nursery rhymes in two days with the help of Phillip Schofield and Joanna Lumley (Ceefax) (1458) 9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. (Ceefax) Regional news and weather (2699)

9.30 Between the Lines: Lies and Damned Lies. Tough and uncompromising senes about internal investigations within the police force. (Ceefax) (s) (824019)

10.20 Film: Terms of Endearment (1983).

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Jewish refugee: Eva Abrahams returns to Berlin (9.30pm)

9.30 Under the Sun: Tribes of Europe.

● CHOICE: A film by the award-winning director Dan Marks follows two families as they seek to rebuild their lives in a Berlin minus the wall. Eva Abrahams is 86 and last lived in the city nearly 60 years ago. As a German Jew she was forced to fiee the Nazis and she sought refuge in the Soviet Union. With her son, she is applying to regain her German citizenship but discovers that returning refugees are less than welcome. Irrngard Wittkuhn and her half-brother Stefan Brandt lived on different sides of the Berlin well and were separated for 30 years. Now they are trying to clear their father, who was imprisoned by the East German authorities for alleged spying. A discursive film sets the two stories against a general portrait of Berlin as the city tries to cope with rising unemployment and the resurgence of the neo-Nazi movement. (Ceefax) (s) (815361)

10.26 Time Passing: Nine O'Clock. A regular walk to work in the City of London turns into a surreal journey through the seasons (696201) 10.30 Newsnight with Jeremy Pavnan (351011)
11.15 Birdland. The best of jazz. This week planist Julian Joseph shares the studio with saxophonist Branford Marsalis (s) (974477)

11.45 Weather (802212)

11.50 World Cup Athletics live from Havana, Cuba. Commentary by David Coleman, Stuart Storey and Paul Dickerson (s) (844699). Ends at 1.25am

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6.00 TV-am (5438187) 9.25 Win, Lose or Draw. Celebrity game show hosted by Danny Baker (6032108) 9.55 Thames News (7502835)

10.00 The Time . . . The Place. Topical discussion programme(7869670) 10.40 This Morning. Magazine series hosted by Richard Madeley and Judy Finnigan. Pat Murphy talks about dealing with stress and Anne Robinson has consumer advice from the Good Housekeeping Institute (9502477)

12.10 Rainbow, Series for pre-school children (5646854) 12,30 Lunchtime News with Nicholas Owen and Sonia Ruseler (Oracle)

Weather (2614583) 1.05 Thames News (69936496)
1.15 Home and Away, Australian family drama senal (Oracle) (700729)
1.45 A Country Practice. Medical drama serial set in the Australian outback (s) (629800)

 2.15 Highway to Heaven. Michael Landon stars as the apprentice angel this week helping a paraplegic Vietnam veteran (6843922)
 3.10 ITN News headlines (4313309)
 3.15 Thames News headlines (4305380) 3.20 The Young Doctors. Drama series set in an ustralian city hospital (3418922)

3.50 Scooby Doo. Cartoon adventures (4252583) 4.05 Astro Farm.
Puppet animation series about a space-based farming family (s) (6251038) 4.15 Victor and Hugo. The bumbling French crooks get it wrong again (s) (6202748) 4.40 Knightmare. Contestants versus electronic wizardry in the dungeon game (8432361) 5.05 Cartoon with Porky Pig (r) (3408767) 5.15 LWT News (3164699) 5.40 Early Evening News with John Suchet, (Oracle) Weather

(485019) 6.00 Home and Away (r). (Oracle) (338903)

6.25 On the Buses. Another comedy trip down memory lane with Reg Varney and Bob Grant. The boys are getting fatter and the canteen is losing money. Someone is getting more than they paid for (r)

7,00 Family Fortunes. Les Dennis brings together families to compete for cash and prizes. (Oracle) (s) (4458)
 7,30 Coronation Street. (Oracle) (477)



A sure thing? Matthew Kelly doubles your money (8.00pm)

8.00 You Bet! Matthew Kelly invites guests and the studio audience to make bets on some strange feats. Facing the prospect of forfeits this week are Garry Herbert, Sally James, Jilly Curry and Melvyn

Hayes (s) (9854)

9.90 Crime Monthly. Paul Ross presents appeals and crime updates from around the country. Including the police on the trail of illegal from around the country. Including the police on the trail of illegal pit-bull terriers and more footage of unsuspecting robbers caught on camera. (Oracle) (9090) 10.00 News at Ten with Trevor McDonald and Alastair Stewart. (Oracle) Weather (962903) 10.35 LWT News and weather (973854)

10.40 The London Programme. Trevor Phillips reports on the London teaching hospitals facing the threat of closure. Would fewer hospitals be better for London7 (236598)

11.10 Park High. A new documentary series about life in a suburban comprehensive school. This week the headmaster prepares to confront the school's most troublesome pupils (899903) 1.45 Jake and the Fatman. The detective finds out that one of his old girlfriends is now involved with a drugs boss. Starring William Conrad and Joe Penny (176564)

12.40am Married ... With Children. American sit-com with Ed O'Neill and Katey Sagal as the perpetually warring married couple (1224355)

1.10 Rescue 911. Real life stories involving the United States emergency services introduced by William Shatner (6633959) 2.05 American Gladiators. Tests of strength and strategy (s) (5711864) 3.05 CinemAttractions. The latest American movie news (62772510)

GRANADA

3.35 Raw Power. Rock video magazine (s) (3526794) 4.35 Baseball 1992. Major League action (8354268) 5.30 ITN Morning News with Tim Neilson (68539). Ends at 6.00

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6.00 The Channel Four Daily (5436729) 9.25 Schools (88784187)

12.00 Camergue. Second part of a documentary on the well-ind in southern France Much of the wildlife has disappeared yet little is being done to save the ecological haven (r) (s) (92187)

1.00 Sesame Street. Robin Williams is today's quest (r) (81485)

2.00 I Love Lucy (b/w). Classic American comedy. Lucille Ball butters-up an influential columnist (4212) 2.30 Film: Mata Hari. Dated but still watchable story of the first world

war spy (Greta Garbo) who used her feminine wiles to extract secret information. Directed by George Fitzmaunce (95788670) 4.05 Zeno is Smoking. Plasticine animation from Hungary (6242380)



Marking time: quizmaster Richard Whiteley, right (4.15pm)

4.15 Countdown, Grand final of the words and numbers quiz introduced by Richard Whiteley with Simon Williams and Jenny Hanley (s) (3155699) 5.00 Traveller's Tales: South of the River. Brian Thompson, on

Africa's Senegal river, discovers a people of grace and beauty (r) (Teletext) (4699)

Biossom. Comedy about a teenaged girl in an otherwise all-make Los Angeles household (s) (583)

6.30 Happy Days, Nostalgic comedy series set in 1950s Milwaukee, starning Tom Bosley and Henry Winkler. (Teletext) (835) 7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Snow and Zeinab Badawi. (Teletext)

Weather (129293) 7.50 First Reaction. Billi Haggerty, editor of The People, assesses whether Granada's drama Hostages invaded privacy (s) (338583) 8.00 Brookside. Merseyside housing estate drama. (Teletext) (s) (1748) 8.30 Dispatches Special

● CHOICE: As Labour prepares for next week's Blackpool conference, Vincent Hanna invites party stalwarts to recriminate about the general election defeat. This they do very effectively, with Bryan Gould and John Prescott well to the fore in lambasting the campaign strategy. Prescott says there was too much presentation and too little substance. Gould thinks that the politicians in the party handed too much control to the backroom "professionals". One of the latter, Glenys Thornton, reckons Labour could still have won if the party had paid more attention to feedback from the constituencies, it is a lively dust-up which will probably have many echoes in Blackpool, even if the programme makes the huge and questionable assumption that the election was won and lost in the final nine days (3583)

9,00 Garden Club. The team visits Durham. (Teletext) (5309)
9,30 Cheers. Sam (Ted Danson) is telling little white lies. Will Diane (Shelley Long) mind? (r). (Teletext) (93816) 10.00 Nurses. Scatty black cornedy series set in a Miami hospital. (Teletext) (s) (88496)

10.30 Terry and Julian. Sitcom about a camp couple sharing a flat. Starring Julian Clary and Lee Simpson (64816) 11.00 Paul Merton: The Series. Sketches and stand-up comedy from

11.30 Felia memors: The Senses. Sketches and stand-up comedy from the dead-pan man (r) (s) (7534)

11.30 Film: The Cobweb (1955). A season called All in the Mind opens with a soap opera tale of patients and staff at a psychiatric hospital Richard Widmark plays the doctor in charge and there is support from Charles Boyer, Lauren Bacall, Lillian Gish and Gloria Grahame Directed by Vincente Minnelli (14157090)

1.45am The Twilight Zone: The Grave (b/w). Classic science fiction series (3306881). Ends at 2.10.

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disrespectful — as Christopher Matthew flicks through the

On every glossy page they find tittle-tattle about the well-bred and hyphenated, the

black tie and long white glove brigade. They were, says Matthew, like passengers trapped for ever in the first-class section of a cruise liner.

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The magazine itself? "The firvoious end of what was Empire", says John Bowen, a novelist now, but then a humble editorial assistant 10.00 Daily Service (LW only) 10.15 The Pilgrim's Progress (LW only), by John Burryan (20/25) 10.39 Woman's Hour from Belfast. The folk singer Maggie Boyle talks about the opening song to the film Patriot Games starming Harrson Ford, Incl.

starring Harrison Ford, Inc. 11.00 News 11.30 The Natural History

Denek Cooper returns with a new series 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One 1.40 The Archers (s) (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast 2.00 News; Classic Serial: Père Goriot. Second of a four-part dramatication of Baltar's pose

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ossession and trance o Tune, with David Owen Norris 7.30 BBC Philharmonic under Peter Maxwell Davies performs Vaughan Williams (Overture, The Wasps; Symphony No 6 in Eminor); Maxwell Davies Symphony No 1). Including at 8.20 interval reading 9.20 The Lotos-Eaters. Sir John

Gielgud reads Tennyson's poem, written when the poet was in his early twenties 9.35 Plano Trios: York Trio Bruneller, Hymn to Sam Cecilia (BBC Singes under John Poole) Miorning Sequence: Anton Vranicky (Three Marches in the French Style); Mozart (Rondo in E flat, & 371); Dvořák (Three Score: Cementée: Dwořák performs Mozart (Trio in G, K 564); Buxton Orr (Trio No 2); Beethoven (Trio in E flat, Op 70 No 2) (r)

10.45 The Water-Cure

● CHOICE: Judging by the snippets made available to previewers, Carey Harrison's monologue which he harriself

performs, and Steve Faux's music (part electronic, part instrumental, part running water) have been intriguingly dovetailed in this exploration of the deeply troubled mind of the poet Tennyson ("my nerves were steeped in poison") during his treatment in a Cheltenham hydropathy stablishment, Harrison and Faux have provided the dimax to Radio 3's week of

to Radio 3's week of programmes marking the centenary of Tennyson's death 11.30 Midnight Oil: Music of confrontation and contemplation. Steve Martland (Shoulder to Shoulder); Avo Part (Mein Weg hat Gipfel und Wellentaler: Christopher Bowers-Bradhent oman): Bowers-Broadbent, organ); Steve Martland (Drill for two planos: Gerard Bouwhuis and Cees van Zeeland): Arvo Part (Annum per annum for organ)
12,39am Henris 12,35 Close
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3.30 A Good Read; Edward Blishen
invites Griff Rhys Jones and
Paul Merton to talk about four 4.05 Kaleidoscope from New York, includes reports on a new exhibition re-examining the work of Matisse, how the

the work of Matisse, how the presidental campaign is being reflected by artists and the media, and the new Woody Alten film, Husbands and Wives (s)

4.45 Short Story: Financing Finnegan. Written by F. Scott-Pitzgerald and read by Ed Bishop (r)

Bishop (r)
5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather 6.00 Six O'Clock News 6.30 Going Places: The transport

7.00 News 7.05 The Archers (s) 7.20 Pick of the Week. Chris Serie presents extracts from BBC radio and television (s)

8.05 Any Questions? Jonathan Dimbleby is joined in Chelmsford, Essex, by Rose Boycott, editor of Esquire magazine; Patricia Hewitt, deputy director of the Institut for Public Policy Research; Ser Peter Barker, Number 2018

ror Public Policy Research; Sir Peter Parker, businessman; and Or Macsen Pine, president of the Adam Smith Institute 8.50 Stop Press, with Robin Lusting 9.15 Kaleidoscope: Sir Peter Hall talks to Paul Allen about his life and work (s) (r) 9.45 Letter from America his

9.45 Letter from America by Allstair Cooke 9.59 Weather 10.00 The World Tonight, with 10.45 A Book at Bedtime: Talking

10.45 A Book at Bedtime: Talking at the Gates, by James Campbell. Read by John Branwell (final part) (s)
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11.30 The Financial Week, with Heather Payton
11.45 Noah's Archive: With the help of the B&C sound archives, traveller Christina

archives, traveller Christina Dodwell recalls her adventures

with animals (r)

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Britain's rigid labour market has become more flexible as the unions withered during the Thatcher years

SPRING TIME

Spring Ram has again bucked the depressed conditions, as strong growth in exports Tempus, page 20

IN LIMBO



Canary Wharf's future pursue an American

PORTFOLIO

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TOMORROW



Alan Bowkett, the chief executive of Berisford. is not afraid to risk his own money in the company he runs, having already invested more than £1 million

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FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 25 1992

Blue Arrow head acted in a way that was 'clearly not acceptable' for someone in authority

Heseltine to press for ban on Berry

MICHAEL Heseltine, the trade secretary, is to seek through the courts the diseither deal with the matter or adjourn it to a hearing before a judge. Yesterday's report will count as admissable evidence qualification of Antony Berry, the former chairman and chief in the proceedings.
Mr Berry's advisers stated: executive of Blue Arrow, as a company director.

property transactions in Portu-

gal; and share dealings in Tottenham Hotspur, of which

Of Mr Berry, the report says

his "acts and omissions" were

dearly not acceptable con-

duct for someone in a position

of authority in a public com-pany". The inspectors say Mr

Berry "fully co-operated with our inquiry" but add "there

are a number of occasions

where we have not accepted

Mr Berry's evidence either

because, in our view, it was not

credible or because it was

contrary to other evidence

A spokesman for Mr Berry

said he would contest the

decision to seek a disqualifica-

tion during the legal process. The DTI said yesterday that

the disqualification procedure

is lengthy. Mr Berry has not

yet been sent the summons to

which he is entitled to respond

under an exchange of affida-

vits. This leads to a first

hearing in the High Court

Rolls-Royce and Bentley cars

has wiped out profits at

Vickers and forced the board

to axe 950 jobs at its plant in

Crewe, Cheshire, at a cost of

Interim pre-tax losses have

been trimmed from £4.3 mil-

lion to £4.1 million, but the ex-

ceptional charge will not show up until the year-end figures. Shareholders have had their

interim dividend cut from 3.7p to 0.5p by Sir Colin Chandler, the chief executive,

to ensure sufficent cash is

available for investment. Divi-

dend growth would resume,

'albeit from a lower level".

The shares tumbled 12p to

Sir Bryan: seeking change

By HARVEY ELLIOTT

AIR CORRESPONDENT

BRITISH Airways has agreed to pay £17.25 million for a 49.9 per cent share in TAT, the French independent airline. The agreement, which should be clear

of regulatory hurdles by January next

year, is one of the main planks in BA's

strategy of owning a large slice of an airline in each of the world's big markets.

BA has already bought into Deutsche BA in Germany, is setting up Air Russia and is confident of obtaining approval to take a stake in USAir. With the TAT deal,

only the rapidly expanding Far East market remains untapped. Talks are under way with Qantas, which is seeking

private investors, and a number of other

smaller carriers in the region.

BA is convinced that, with the single

when trading improved

about £12 million.

which we have accepted".

Mr Berry is a director.

"The inspectors have, unfortu-The move follows publicanately, made unjustified criti-cisms of Mr Berry. Their report contains insimuation The move follows publica-tion yesterday of the long-awaited 500-page report into Blue Arrow. It covers the December 1988 £25 million loan by Blue Arrow to a company controlled by Peter de Savary relating to a proper-ty transaction at Canvey Is-land, Essex: the financing of the Blue Arrow Challenge and innuendo which is wholly unsupported by any evidence. In particular the most serious criticisms levelled against Mr Berry, namely that on a number of occasions he 'deliberate-ly misled' the board are unsupported by any evidence the Blue Arrow Challenge attempt to win the America's and are unreasonable Cup yacht race for Britain; Norman Tebbit, the former

cabinet minister, was a non-executive director of Blue Arrow. The report says he, and other non-executives, behaved responsibly and honourably. Of the £25 million loan, the

inspectors say: "Our inquiry into Blue Arrow has not disclosed any fraud or impropriety concerning the Canvey transaction. We are satisfied that it was a genuine commercial transaction and was offered in good faith by Mr de Savary to Blue Arrow.'

The report accuses Mr Berry of deliberately making two board concerning the Canvey transaction, of concluding the transaction despite the absence of board approval and without authority. He is also accused of deliberately omitting to inform the board about a revision to an agreement over the Blue Arrow Challenge, the attempt to win the America's Cup yacht race for

The report's summary states: "Had Mr Berry told the

Rolls reversal hits Vickers

By MICHAEL TATE, CITY EDITOR

news, but rallied to close just

reduce break-even volume to

about 1,400 vehicles, half the equivalent level in 1990. Sir Colin said sales had fallen by

65 per cent over 18 months,

with a heavy reduction in

demand from Japan, ultimate

home for almost 25 per cent of production in 1990.

Sir Colin said the business

would have "considerable po-

tential whenever the upturn in

All five of Vickers' other divi-

sions traded satisfactorily, he

said, although Cosworth's

road engine volumes suffered

from cutbacks at Ford and

Carsberg challenges insurance

THE "heavy automatic losses"

suffered by hundreds of thou-

sands of insurance policyhold-

ers when they cashed in

policies early were questioned

by Sir Bryan Carsberg, the

director general of fair trad-

ing, when he addressed the

of the Chartered Insurance

Institute, said no other invest-

ments resulted in such losses. He suggested that the com-

mission structure should be

changed so that salesmen

suffered as much as investors

industry's representatives. Sir Bryan, speaking yester-day at the annual conference

By LINDSAY COOK, MONEY EDITOR

BA agrees French airline purchase

European market only months away, it

needs to break away from its dominant

British base and the purchase of TAT,

which could become total in five years,

should provide the ideal launch pad into

France and much of Europe.

TAT (Transport Aerian Transregional),
formed in 1968, owns or leases 54

aircraft, which are on average only eight years old and which carry 3 million passengers a year. It flies to 32 destina-

tions in France, 14 of which link with

Paris. One of its most important routes is

to Gatwick which it serves three times a

day from Paris and ten times a week from

Lyon. BA now plans to integrate those services with its own long-haul routes.

flying via Gatwick to 35 worldwide destinations.

TAT made a small profit in 1991 but is

The Rolls restructuring will

1p lower at 78p.

trading occurs".

THE slump in demand for 67p within minutes of the

1988 meeting that on the previous day he had committed Blue Arrow to an estimated further £15 million expenditure on the America's Cup and was intending to defray this expense with profits from the Canvey project, which agreement needed to be signed within a matter of days, the board's reaction could have been very different. Mr Berry's failure to tell the board about the revision to the shareholder's agreement was deliberate and not because, as he contends, it was unneces-sary to tell them, but because he knew that to tell them could affect his chances of a sympa-

board at the 30 November

Mr Berry was criticised for not bringing to the board transactions in which he had a possible conflict of interest. He was also criticised over a private joint venture in Portugal, over dealings between Blue Arrow and Tottenham Hotsour and over dealings in Tottenham Hotspur shares. Publication of the report

was witheld at the request of Justice McKinnon who pre-sided over the Blue Arrow trial. The report was signed by the inspectors in June 1991. The Serious Fraud Office ended Blue Arrow prosecutions on July 31 this year after criticism from the Court of Appeal, which said the first Blue Arrow trial had cost £40 million and was a disaster. surrounding the £837 million rights issue by Blue Arrow to finance the Manpower takeover in 1987.

Too much power, page 25

demand was sluggish in the

In defence systems, hopes are high that the £520 million

British Army order for the group's Challenger 2 tank will lead to large export orders, which "could have a signifi-

cant, positive impact on the

company's fortunes". But the

necessary increase in market-

ing spend may mean profits

slip a little in the second half.

suffered against an excellent year in 1991, but aerospace

has been successful and is

for early encashments. This would ensure that the right

The director general, who

will shortly be commenting on

proposed rules for the sale of investments, said that inves-tors should be given a league table of the charges of different

Sir Bryan also said many

investors have difficulty under-

standing investment products. He said he would be making

recommendations for better

products were sold.

insurance companies.

consumer education.

Jobs cut, page 2 Leading article, page 15 Tempus, page 20

making higher profits.

Medical equipment profits

marine division.

humbled by setback in Japan BY JONATHAN PRYNN

BARINGS, the dynastic banking group once described as the sixth great power in Europe, has been humbled by losses in its securities division. caused principally by the col-lapse of financial markets in

Profits for the six months to end-June shamped 51 per cent to £11.8 million from £24.3 million. The company is to make a further £10 million charge against profits in the second half to cover the cost of its empty office space.
Peter Baring, the chairman,

would not reveal the size of the losses from the securities operations, which as recently as 1989 contributed more than half of total group profits. However, trading volumes in the Japanese markets have fallen to 10 per cent of their peak, with some specialist markets such as warrants vir-

tually drying up.

Mr Baring said the Japa-nese agency business was still reporting record revenues but these were not adequate to produce a healthy profit because of the high level of expenses in the Tokyo office.

Staffing levels in Japan are being reduced by 15 from a total 275 employees in the country. A total 108 jobs are being cut across the group, mostly in London.

Barings is withdrawing from Scandinavian securities and is closing down its Frankfurt office. German markets

will in future be covered from London. Mr Baring said securities markets had shown little revival since the half-year end and remained "not very exciting".

Baring's other operations

enjoyed a more successful half year. The corporate finance team was kept busy working on acquisitions by Inchcape, David'S Smith, and TI, the abortive Lloyds Bank bid for Midland Bank, and a Blue Circle rights issue.

Profits from banking and capital markets held up well, with no new loan loss provisions required.

Dillon Read, the Wall Street investment bank where Barings has a 40 per cent stake, "made a significant contribution to the group Funds under management

remained stable but profits

as it sought to expand its network of

routes and bought new aircraft. Its extensive French internal network of

international services are based mainly

at Paris Orly although its headquarters

are in Tours, in the Loire Valley.

TAT is essentially a family airline, founded by Michel Marchais, who is now

president, with his son Rodolphe as chief

executive. The majority of the shares are

owned by the Marchais family with a further 25 per cent owned by Crédit

National bank and the rest among the

The agreement to buy is conditional on

approval from the EC competition direc-torate and from the French transport



Central banks intensify battle to save the franc

By Wolfgang Münchau, European Business correspondent

EUROPE'S exchange-rate mechanism survived another day amid the first tentative signs that Europe's central banks may eventually succeed in their battle against the

The Bundesbank intervened heavily in foreign exchange markets, and some member countries sought to relieve pressure further through cuts in interest rates or reintroduction and tightening of exchange

The pressure on the French franc eased, as the currency closed at 3.4025 against the mark, an improvement of over a centime against Wednesday's close and comfortably ahead of the franc's ERM floor of Fr3.4305.

Britain will not re-enter the ERM in the foresecable future, according to John Ma-jor, who in his speech to Parliament yesterday called for a substantial change to the way the system operates. In an apparent swipe at Helmut Schlesinger, president of the Bundesbank, he said last week's run on sterling followed "injudicious comments about realignment that should never have been made". The ripples of Europe's currency crisis continue to be

felt in almost each of the ERM's remaining member states. In Spain, the Madrid stock market crashed to the lowest since 1986, the general index falling 7.07 points to 198.15, after reintroduction of capital controls on bank lending to non-residents. Ireiand tightened exchange

controls by suspending swap activities in punts by nonresidents, to help stabilise the punt within the ERM. The Netherlands and Belgium tried to ease the pressures in the system through reductions in unofficial money market rates. Switzerland, not an member, reduced its discount rates by half a percentage point to 6 per cent.

In Germany, prospects of an early rate cut faced a setback on the news that two federal states, North-Rhine Westphalia and Baden-Württemberg, suffered a monthly 0.3 per cent rise in prices in August, much higher than

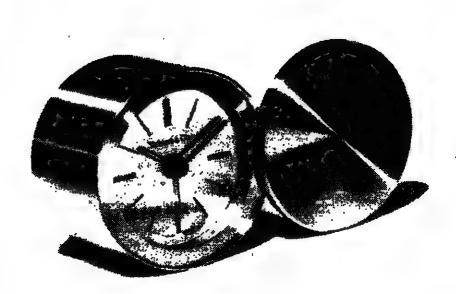
predicted. The news suggest that Germany continues to suffer from strong inflationary

The Bundesbank announced that it was intervening in the markets. The intervention, believed to have run into several billion marks this week, has gone far beyond what would normally have been required from the German central bank.

In Bonn, government spokesmen were denying rumours that Germany about to ditch some of its less enthusiastic European "partcore of fast-lane monetary union along with France and the Benelux countries. These rumours were intensified by newspaper reports in London President Mitterrand and Chancellor Kohl had agreed this week in Paris to press ahead with a fast-lane Franco-German monetary union in the light of growing British and Danish opposition to the Maastricht treaty.

Delors battle, page 12

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Abbey cuts its rate for new borrowers

ABBEY National, the secondlargest mortgage lender, cut its base mortgage rate by 0.75 per cent to 9.95 per cent for new borrowers yesterday. The bank cut the rate for larger mortgages by just over 0.5 per cent (Lindsay Cook writes).

It also extended to January 31, 1994 its 1.75 per cent discount to first-time buyers borrowing less than 90 per cent of the value. This gives a minimum rate of 7.74 per cent on loans over £100,000. This is the ninth reduction since 1990 and Abbey borrowers with the average £55.000 loan have seen payments fall by than £200.

Cheltenham & Gloucester. the sixth-largest society, has launched a fixed-rate mort-gage at 8.25 per cent for two years with no strings attached. There is a £100 application fee, but borrowers who agree to a personal interview in a C&G branch pay only £50. It is the lowest fixed-rate mortgage

ever offered by the society. Nationwide Building Society has cut its mortgage rate by 0.75 per cent to 9.95 per cent. The second-largest society has made its cut for new borrowers from Monday and for existing borrowers from November 1. Lloyds Bank has cut its credit card rate from 1.9 per cent a month, an annual percentage rate of 25.3 per cent, to 1.8 per cent a month. or 23.8 per cent per annum. Its gold card rate is reduced from 19.5 to 16.7 per cent a

Ricardo falls

Ricardo International's annual pre-tax profits fell from £4.65 million to £2.04 million. A final 3.8p dividend holds the total at 5.7p. It has allowed £320,000 to cover the departure of three directors.

Pay raised

Sir Paul Girolami, one of Britain's highest-paid chairmen, received an 11 per cent pay rise last year. Sir Paul, head of Glaxo, received £1,185,727 for the year to June 30.

Bennett loss

Bennett & Fountain Group made an annual pre-tax loss of £3.55 million (profits of £2.31 million). There is again no

Harland review

Harland Simon, whose shares were suspended this month. has appointed an executive committee to review its pros-pects and finances.

TV-am ahead

TV-am's interim pre-tax profits increased from £6.7 million to £9 million. The dividend is held at 4p.

Antofagasta dip Antofagasta Holdings' inter-im pre-tax profits fell from E9.59 million to E8.88 million.

The dividend is held at 6p.

Government holds Wharf key as bid is rejected

THE government again holds the key to Canary Wharf's future after the project's bankers decided not to pursue a bid put forward by a group of Amer-ican investors led by Larry Tisch and Lewis Ranieri.

The rejection of the propos-als, also backed by Paul Reichmann of Olympia & York, the developer, leaves the government with two key decisions: to move several thou-sand civil servants to Canary Wharf and take advantage of bargain basement rents, and spend more than £1 billion of public money on the Jubilee line extension

By rejecting the Tisch/Ranieri proposals, the Canary
Wharf bankers appear to be
banking on the civil servants
being relocated. The rents that
the government would pay
could be used by the administraiors running the project to raise a new loan. This, in turn, would be used to meet the first two capital instalments required by the government's demand that about £400 million of the Jubilee line costs be

met by the private sector. For example, if the government agrees to take 500,000 sq ft at Canary Wharf at an average rent of £20 a sq ft over the period of a lease, the administrators could raise between £500 and £500 a tween £80 million and £90 million of new money. This

PHILIP Green, the charis-

matic driving force behind Amber Day Holdings, the

retail group that owns the

What Everyone Wants budget

down as chairman and chief

The move follows almost a

year of stock market bear raids

and disastrous publicity about

the company and Mr Green's

private business deals. His

resignation accompanied a dire set of full-year figures

from Amber Day, even falling

short of the forecast made at the time of a profits warning

three months ago.

Mr Green said his depar-

ture was prompted by the pub-

licity, "much of which relates

to me personally and to my

family". He added: "It had be-

come two and a half days a week working and two and a half days firefighting on issues

that had nothing to do with

high as 129p less than a year

Amber Day's share price, as

the business."

executive.

amount would go most of the way to meeting the £100 million cost of the first two instalments of the private sector contribution.

One of the reasons the 11 bankers to the project rejected the Tisch/Ranieri proposals at a meeting in New York on Monday was, according to one banking source, the fact that, in exchange for little more than the Jubilee line contribution, the group would receive all future growth in the project's income stream and

"If they can get all the upside, why can't we?" the

source asked. The New York decision reversed an earlier vote in favour of the Tisch/Ranieri proposals in Toronto last week by five members of the bank-

ing syndicate.
The reversal of that decision at Monday's meeting suggests the banks are split on how to deal with Canary Wharf's

The syndicate's gamble that by meeting the agreed private sector contribution, the Jubilee line will actually be built, is, however, a big one. The im-minent round of public-sector spending cuts could result in the project being cancelled altogether, regardless of whether the owner of O&Y comes up with any money.

ago, edged ahead 1p to 35p as

the news of Mr Green's depar-

ture outweighed the figures.

These showed pre-tax profits

back from £10.1 million to

E7.53 million in the year to

August 1 despite a forecast in

June that they would be no

worse than in the previous

year. A final 2p dividend

makes a 3.1p total, against

Mr Green said he had

Invested £4 million in the

business and retained a 10 per

cent stake, worth £3.4 million

at today's prices. The "continual barrage" of unsubstantiat-

ed reports had started in

David Thompson, the fi-

nance director, who is stand-

ing in as chairman until a

replacement can be found,

said the distraction of the

"witchhunt" against Mr Green had led to poor stock

controls during the summer

and a £3 million trading loss

after the earlier profits

January, he said.

Chairman resigns

at Amber Day

By MARTIN WALLER



Taking cover: More O'Ferrall, the billboard and bus shelter advertising contractor, raised pre-tax profits to £936,000 (£812,000) in the six months to June 30. despite lower operating profits in the UK and Ireland. Russell Gore-Andrews, the chairman, announced yesterday. A fall in interest payable to £857,000 (£1.6 million)

and a strong performance in Belgium compensated for a slump in operating profits from £1.3 million to £241,000 in the UK and Ireland. Turnover was static at £28.6 million (£28.8 million). Earnings per share and the Interim dividend were unchanged at 2.1p and 3.2p respectively. The UK outlook remains uncertain.

Watchdog nearer to formation

By Ltz Dolan

THE establishment of an umbrella body to regulate the marketing of financial products came one step nearer yesterday with the publication of a consultative document.

Sir Brian Hayes, chairman of the Personal Investment Authority formation committee, said consumers would benefit from the replacement of several regulatory authorities by one organisation.

The body is likely to assume responsibility for the areas at present controlled by the Life Assurance and Unit Trust Regulatory Organisation and the Financial Intermediaries Managers and Brokers Regulatory Organisation. Some members of the Investment Managers Regulatory Organ-

isation are expected to join. But the real question is whether the financial services arms of the banks and building societies will join the PIA. Both groups have shown little

Food group thrives but issues warning

BY OUR CITY STAFF

of the recession could stay with the food retailing industry permanently has accompanied a resilient trading periormance from William Morrison Supermarkets, the Yorkshire chain.

A £4.5 million interest swing, to earnings of £1.8 million, after last year's £98 million rights issue helped pre-tax profits to rise from £27.0 million to £36.2 million in the 26 weeks to August 1, and the interim dividend is effectively raised by 20 per cent to 0.16p.

Supermarket takings, inclusive of VAT, were up 17.1 per cent, a 4.3 per cent rise coming from existing units and the balance from new stores. But Ken Morrison, the chairman and chief executive, says that because of the low level of food price inflation, the rate of increase in staff costs was exceeding sales growth. "I believe it is prudent to

regard the present conditions

A WARNING that the effects as likely to be with us permanendy and to face up to the situation and manage our business accordingly," he says. "I think we've no reason to assume that we're in recession forever - but we've no reason to believe that it will go back to where it was."

As a result of the rights

issue, borrowings at August 1 were £19.8 million and gearing just 5.7 per cent (48.6 per centi. Three new superstores were opened in the first half, and the rest of the financial year would see another three openings and the completion of extension work on two other stores. Mr Morrison said the expansion programme could be financed out of retained funds and existing borrowing

facilities. He said a slight improvement in gross margins was due entirely to a favourable change in the sales mix. Likefor-like margins had shown a slight decrease, a trend that was likely to continue.

economic growth to help the

rest of the year. Having seen the evidence in the first half

of what a cost squeeze can do

to the profits line, however,

he promises more of the

same in the second. That means maintaining (if not

improving) market share and

keeping purse strings tight. The element of caution is

clear from the maintained

interim dividend of 7.5p. If,

however, as United hints.

second-half 1992 turns out

to be stronger than second-

half 1991, this year could see

an upward nudge in the final

dividend. That depends on

feelings about 1993; given that the total dividend has

been held at 21p a share

since 1989, despite two

successive profit dips, resto-

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Havelock seeks £2.9m via share placing

HAVELOCK Europa, the shopfining group, is raising £2.97 million net via a placing of 10 million shares at 31p a share. The cash will help repair its financial position, and Sir Lewis Robertson, who is retiring as chairman at the end of the year. says he will be leaving a group with a solid balance sheet and

a sound management. New contracts have been won in a difficult market, and key customers, including Marks and Spencer and Boots, have customers, including Marks and Spencer and Boots, have continued their considerable interior fitting programmes. Havelock has been hurt by the recession and reports a reduced pre-tax loss of £1.6 million (£2.18 million loss) for the six months to end-June. The 1992 interim dividend has been passed. The second half is likely to be stronger than the first half, though the group gave warning that the continuing difficult trading climate will hit trading results.

Arecord

Inchcape drives in Japan

INCHCAPE, the international trading group, is setting up a joint venture with Peugeot to import and distribute Peugeot cars and spare parts in Japan. Together they will invest £9.4 cars and spare parts in Japan. Together they will invest £9.4 million in Peugeot Japon, the present importer of Peugeot cars into the country. The restructured Peugeot Japon will also sell the new model, due to be unveiled in Europe next year. Peugeot has sold more than 25.000 vehicles in Japan since 1987. Peugeot Japon is 67 per cent owned by Automobiles Peugeot, 11.5 per cent each by Suzuki Motor Corp and Rover Japan, a subsidiary of British Aerospace, and 5 per cent each by Nissho Iwal and Seibu Motor Sales Co.

Berkertex wins suitor

WILLIAM Baird, the textiles group that owns Brides International and Windsmoor, has bought Berkertex, the bridal wear group, from the receivers for an undisclosed sum. The deal, which includes Genesis, a leisure business, is expected to secure the future of most of the 1,200 jobs under threat since receivers were appointed three weeks ago. The Berkertex flagship store in Bond Street, London, and its Nottingham store would continue operating, as would most of the group's department store outlets, said Christopher Morris and Roger Powdrill, joint administrative receivers from Touche Ross, the accountant, Berkertex operated 350 retail outlets in the UK and 26 in Spain. WILLIAM Baird, the textiles group that owns Brides

Headline sales surge

HEADLINE Book Publishing, the venture capital-backed start-up that claims to be Britain's fifth most profitable consumer book publisher, has increased interim pre-tax profits by 60 per cent to £604,000 for the first half of the year. Tim Hely Hutchinson, the managing director, said the surge in profits was the result of a 20 per cent rise in sales in a generally flat book market combined with tight control of overheads. The pre-tax profit margin rose from 8.5 per cent to 11.4 per cent. Publishing sales in July and August were 34 per cent ahead of the same period last year. The interim dividend has been trebled from 0.5p to 1.5p, reducing cover to 2.2 times. Earnings per share were up 11 per cent 3.6p.

Anglia lifts earnings

ANGLIA Television, winner of the Channel 3 franchise, raised pre-tax profits to £4.8 million in the half year to June 30, compared with £3 million in the six months to April 30 last year. The gain was almost entirely due to a sharp fall in the size of the Exchequer levy on advertising revenue, saving Anglia £2.7 million. The interim dividend is held at 2.86p. Turnover was little changed at £53.5 million (£52.2 million) and operating profits fell to £4.3 million (£5.4 million). Earnings per share were 7.04p (4.35p). Sir Peter Gibbings, chairman, said Anglia's 600-strong workforce had agreed to an 18-month pay freeze. Expenditure on own productions increased from £7.8 million to £12 million.

Whitecroft warning

WHITECROFT, the building products, lighting and textiles group, has given warning of an expected £1 million pre-tax loss for the half year to September. It is selling its window and conservatory offshoots, which are expected to make a loss of more than £1 million in the first half. The sales will result in a \$4 million write-off, to be included as an extraordinary item. There will also be an extraordinary tem of £23.8 million, for goodwill previously written off and included to comply with accounting convention. There will be no interim dividend.

Yule Catto advances

A STRONG performance in special chemicals enabled Yule Catto to overcome the tough trading conditions experienced by its building products division in the first half, to boost pre-tax profits from £9.9 million to £10.2 million. Earnings per share were 7.5p (7.2p) and the board is lifting the interim dividend from 2.3p to 2.5p a share. Chemicals sales and profits rose by 4 and 8 per cent respectively; with improving trends in domestic and export markets, the business is expected to maintain higher levels of profitability in the months ahead.

TEMPUS

Vickers left shell-shocked by rundown at Rolls-Royce

INVESTORS may be forgiven a sense of dejd vu as Vickers follows British Aerospace with a batch of job losses in a key division. wiping out the rest of the group's profits, and with a dividend shock for share-

After failing to unearth a partner for Rolls-Royce Motors, Vickers has further run down capacity at Crewe. The year-end bottom-line figure will look pretty bleak after the £12.5 million exceptional cost involved. The aim is to staunch the flow of cash from the motor group by cutting break-even point to 1,400 vehicles, half the 1990 level. Even on current sales figures. Rolls should be cashneutral next year and breaking even by 1994.

Debt could be up to about £100 million by the end of the current year, but strip out slowdown of about £25 million in advance payments, and the picture does not look too unhealthy.

The savagery of the cut in the interim dividend to 0.5p, demonstrating the board's determination not to see the aerospace and Cosworth divisions starved of cash, was chiefly responsible for the dismay registered by yester-day's initial 12p fall in the

share price to 67p. With the losses stemmed at Rolls, Vickers ought to be shooting for £19.3 million pre-tax in 1993, and maybe £30 million in the following year, says Sandy Morris at County NatWest. That would



Stemming losses at Rolls: Sir Colin Chandler, chief executive of Vickers

reduce the 1994 prospective multiple to about 10 at last night's 78p. All the shares need, to out-perform, is news of a tank order from the Middle East - or, of course. a bid. With all the pain now in the share price, predators may never have a better opportunity.

Spring Ram

THE attractions of Spring Ram Corporation have been well known to the stock market for several years and are reflected in its share price. Spring Ram is adored by the City; in a month that has seen Britain's currency and its biggest manufacturer humbled, it is no wonder that any success story, however small, pulls in crowds of pinstriped admirers. Not that Spring Ram counts as small any more — it has long since graduated from the attentions of the City's smaller company teams and in the first half of this year it passed the £100 million sales barri-

er. Exports led the way, with

growth of 48 per cent, but even in the UK, where market conditions could hardly be more difficult, kitchens grew by 19 per cent and bathrooms by 13 per cent. The growth means that Spring Ram is piling on UK

market share. First-half pre-tax profits grew by 13 per cent to £18.4 million, while the interim dividend is up by a fifth at 0.103p.

The company has always pursued a policy of developing greenfield sites rather

is currently engaged in a £40 gramme, building factories Barnsley and Bradford The new capacity will come on stream for next year as the company continues its push into continental Europe and North America.

Profits this year will be about £42 million, giving carnings of about 8p and putting the shares on a pricey multiple of just under 18. The shares certainly deserve the premium rating although, as Body Shop demonstrates. City devotion is no guarantee of invulnerability.

United Newspapers

UNITED Newspapers' ironfist control of costs in the six months to June, together with lower interest and reduced newsprint prices, has paid off in spades. In a newspaper and magazine market that is still being mauled, trading profits generated by United's Express Newspapers jumped by half to £14 million.

Regional newspaper interests were not as strong trading profits edged up from £13.3 million to £13.8 million - and profits from information services and advertising periodicals were weak. But group pre-tax profits for the half year were still a respectable 20.2 per cent ahead, at £46.5 million.

Lord Stevens, the chair-

man, is not banking on any

previous haif. arrested pushed the shares 16p higher, to 425p, yester-

ration of cover could prove to be the company's priority. A net £6 million cash inflow from asset deals is likely in the second half, and there is the prospect of a profits contribution from the recently purchased Pedeca Publicaciones, of Madrid. Punch has gone, for which £1.05 million is taken against trading profits. Net debt is marginally

down from the £276 million ievel at the end of the profits downtrend has been

Recognition that United's day. On year-end profit hopes of £98 million (£85.2 million) the shares are attractive on 13.6 times earnings, backed by a 6.6 per cent

APPLEYARD GROUP (Int) Pre-tax: £1.75m (£1.5m) EPS: 2.2p (2.1p) Div: 2.6p (2.6p) ATLAS CONVERTING

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EPS: 11p (6.9p) Div: 4.25p (4.25p) CAVERDALE GROUP (Int) Pre-tax: Loss £272,000 EPS: Loss 0.31p Div: Nil (nil) HAMPDEN GROUP (Int)

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Pre-tax: £4.5m (£4.4m) EPS: 13.56p (12.83p) Div: 3.1p (2.9p) TELEMÉTRIX (Int) Pre-tax: £673,000

EPS: Loss 1.6p Div: Nil (nil) SWP GROUP (Fin) Pre-tax: £30,000 EPS: 0.1p (2.2p) Dtv: Nil (0.6p) ERA GROUP (Int)

Pre-text Loss £1.65m EPS: Loss 2.07p

Div: Nil (nil)

Turnover fell from £218.9m to £158.1m and operating profits from £3.96m to £3.4m. No signs of economic recovery. Interim results. Orders in hand will ensure output is

higher in second half. Prospects for 1993 are improving: Last time's interim profit was £154,000. Turnover was steady

at £3.7m. Trading conditions remain difficult. Last time there was a profit of £247,000, with earnings per share of 1.87p. Some averhead costs are continuing to be reduced.

Last time's interim profit was £175,000. Trading conditions in Northern ireland have worsened.

Costs are being reduced. Last time there was a profit of £85,000, with earnings per share of 0.4p. Relocation from Heathrow

to Coventry now three months late. Turnover down from £52.2m to £46.4m. Some transactions delayed because of volatile

Policy of hedging currency exposure forward for up to two years has protected group from full adverse effect of extreme dollar weakness.

Exceptional costs of £2,9m were charged against restructuring. so reducing operating profits from £3m to £949,000. Last time's profit was £826,000.

Tumover fell from £10,3m to £7.7m. All companies profitable and current trading better. Last time's loss was £951,000, with loss per share of 1.28p. Loss in first half is a normal

seasonal feature of trading.

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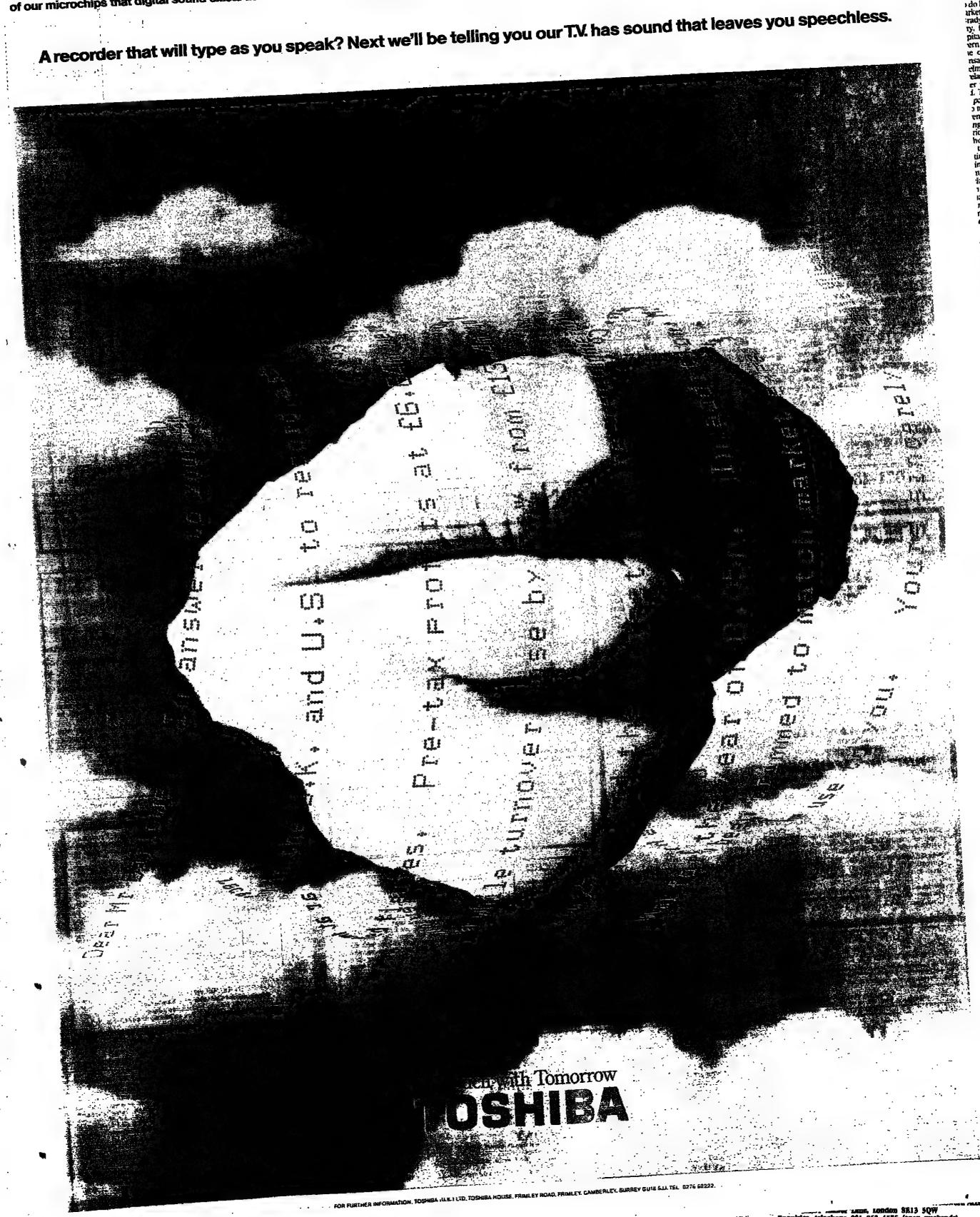
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belief that currency markets

steadied slightly overnight. The Dow Jones industrial

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er, although below the day's

provided some support.

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highs. Investors were encour-

aged by the surging ven and

hopes that the currency's rise

might bring easier credit. The

Nikkei index rose 327.23 points, or 1.79 per cent, to

18.609.95. Turnover was

about 370 million shares.

compared with 280 million on

Tokyo seeks to calm market as yen soars

FROM JOANNA PITMAN IN TOKYO

THE shadow of the endaka (high yen) monster loomed over the Japanese economy yesterday as the currency went into orbit, reaching a record intra-day high against the

Soothing comments from the Bank of Japan did little to calm jumpy markets and Klichi Miyazawa, the prime minister, was prevailed upon to deliver a few words to dispel growing fears that the sudden appreciation of the yen, which has risen by about Y6 against the dollar in the past week, would wreak all manner of damage on an aiready weakened economy.

The yen rose during the morning to Y119.83 against the dollar, well ahead of its previous high of Y120.45 in January 1988.

This would be a problem if the yen's gain stemmed from speculative buying or if the fluctuations were volatile, but that is not the case," Mr Miyazawa said. There would be no need for an immediate dollar-buying intervention by the Bank of Japan, he added. The finance ministry re-

mained calm throughout the day, maintaining that the yen's sudden appreciation was a temporary phenomenor caused by currency turmoil in Europe, which has turned the yen into a temporary safe-haven currency. "We are re-maining very calm in the in-ternational division because there is a general feeling that this is not our business. The cause is Germany," said Shigeki Morinobu, a director in the ministry's international finance bureau

The yen closed in Tokyo at Y120.25 against the dollar. up Y2.42, amid rising market expectations of a further cut in interest rates. Bank of Japan officials denied the necessity for such a move and economists agreed that the strength of the stock market, which gained 327.23 points to close at 18.609.95 yesterday in relatively strong trading, indicated that the yen's appreciation is a temporary phenomenon.

STOCK MARKET

Bears maul anxious Allied-Lyons

ALLIED-LYONS, the food and drinks group, spent an anxious session after the shares were mauled at the hands of stock market bears. The price touched 614p in early trading before recovering to close 9p down on the day at 638p as word went around the marketplace that the group was about to issue a profits warning. This was

nied by the company's BT resisted the market trend to broker, but a end the day unchanged at 359p. County NatWest has short time later County taken the shares off its buy list NatWest is and has downgraded its prebelieved to tax profit forecast for the current year by £100 million to £2.7 billion and for 1993 by have added the £120 million to £2.28 billion. group's discomfort by selling 500 comfort BT remains a defensive play, but is unlikely to outperform.

traded op-tions market, equivalent to 500,000 shares. There was also talk of a line of 1.8 million shares overhanging the market. Hoare Govett, the broker, then decided to cut its profit forecast for the current year by £30 million to £635 million and for 1993 by a similar sum

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to £720 million. Hoare claimed that its numbers for Allied were a bit on the high side and vigorously denied claims that it had been been responsible for the bear raid. Earlier this week, Hoare lifted its forecast for Grand Metropolitan, having been long-term bears of the stock. GrandMet was unchanged at 455p. Elsewhere in the drinks

lost 7p to 580p James Capel. the broker, urged its cliswitch to. Whitbread A, another 18p firmer at 465p. Devenish also ad-vanced 5p to

246p as speculation revived that Boddington, unchanged at 178p, would make another attempt to gain control of the company. Meanwhile, the equity market surged through 2,600 in

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735 million. Government late trading after the prime minister indicated that there

Hertfordshire, production facilities with the loss of 3,000 The news from BAc sent

shock waves through the rest of the aerospace industry and Smiths Industries lost another 4p to 304p, while Rolls-Royce recovered from an early fall to finish all-square at 1362p. T&N rallied 1p to 152p and Lucas Industries op to 96p. Vickers advanced 5p to 84p

after cutting 950 jobs at the Rolls-Royce Motors' plant in Crewe, Cheshire.

Amber Day, the troubled discount retailer, firmed 1p to 35p despite seeing pre-tax lits last year slide from £10.14 million to £7.52 million and earnings almost

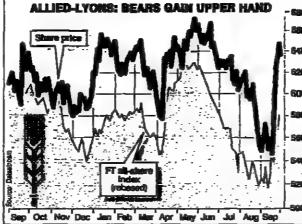
Racal Electronics rose 212p to 69½p, with the new shares hardening 3p to 145p before the extraordinary general meeting on October 2, which is being held to approve the demerger of Chubb. In the grey market, the shares in bb were changing hands at 202p.

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were no immediate plans for £12.48, helped by a profit

upgrading by Merrill Lynch, the American securities house. sterling to rejoin the ex-Prices were squeezed higher United Newspapers respondin thin trading, with the FT-SE 100 index closing at its best of the day, 40.7 points up at 2,621.2. Turnover slipped to 671 million shares compared with the previous day's:

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securities sported gains of £4, cheered by the decision to allow the pound to continue floating. climbed 30p

ed to better than expected figures with a rise of 14p to British Aerospace managed to claw back some of this week's losses with a rise of 13p to 126p. The price fell 86p on Wed-

nesday after the group announced first-half losses of £129 million, provisions of more than £700 million and

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Sir Bryan keeps up the pressure

ir Bryan Carsberg, the new director general of fair trading, has launched the OFT back into its long-running battle with the life assurance industry with renewed vigour. Too much of the argument has focused on the technicalities of detailed disclosure of commissions, costs and low early surrender values, and their effects on the dwindling numbers of independent life assurance brokers. Sir Bryan has switched the argument onto reform of selling in order to avoid some of the costs and penalties. There has long been an absurd contradiction within the industry. At its heart are sober actuaries and fund managers dedicated to protecting individuals and helping them to become rich slowly. At its sharp end is a selling system plagued with a ger-rich-quick mentality and a force of tied agents with a turnover more than 50 per cent a year.

If only life assurance companies competed more for final consumers through value for money and less for distribution outlets via spiralling costs and commission rates, Sir Bryan argued in a speech to members of the industry yesterday, fewer people would be sold policies they could not or would not want to continue to maturity. Regulation and forced disclosure will have to start the ball rolling, but Sir Bryan offered an incentive. If competition on costs forced companies to share the burden of bad selling, they would ultimately gain as much as consumers.

Sir Bryan has yet to advise the Chancellor on the final proposals from the Securities and Investments Board, which chiefly follow the industry's line. If his ideas are anything to go by and the Chancellor backs him, the SIB will surely be back to the drawing

Aerospace rethink

A fter collapsing 86p to 113p on Wednesday, BAe shares staged a 13p recovery yesterday, suggesting that some investors are taking a cooler look at long term prospects and concluding that the worst may be over. Such a judgment must be highly speculative, for when a company such as BAe delivers nasty shocks to the wealth of its shareholders in two successive years, its investment rating takes time to repair. But there is a case for thinking that the shares may have hit bottom. The whole group is now capitalised at little more than the value of last year's £430 million rights issue. BAe's defence systems, the core around which chairman John Cahill wishes to reconstruct the business, are by themselves capable of making trading profits of more than £500 million. What am I bid, Lord Weinstock? GEC would have little trouble financing a credible bid.

BAe's recent history shows that it has not always been wise to accept without question the views of the management. Most if not all of the senior directors did, however, buy shares after the plunge on Wednesday, showing commitment as well as motive to get the company right at last. For Mr Cahill, there are no sacred cows and further cost savings can be expected. Is there much downside on a price earnings ratio for 1993 of around one?

Britain's tamed trade unionists find solidarity is not forever

A government-sponsored survey shows how the

union organisation

has withered during

the Conservative years. Philip Bassett reports

n the political obituaries prompted by the Conservatives' dispatch of Margaret Thatcher, one achievement was universally recognised: that she had tamed the trade unions. Her reshaping of Britain's industrial relations consensus may now be taken for granted. but behind it lies an undergrowth of opinion, assertion, belief and prejudice about what really has changed in British employee relations.
Yesterday produced further defini-

the evidence of what has gone on, and is probably still going on. The government-sponsored Workplace Industrial Relations Survey, first carried out in 1980, is one of the few widely accepted pieces of research about how industry uses and regu-lates its labour. The report of the 1990 survey charts in detail a decade of bewildering changes.
Studiously neutral politically, its

findings show how far the Conserva-tive government achieved its aim of making the notoriously rigid UK labour market more flexible through a combination of economic, legal and social changes.

"So great were the changes," the survey says, "that it is not unreasonable to conclude that the traditional, distinctive 'system' of British industrial relations no longer characterised the economy as a whole." The survey is sponsored jointly by the employ-ment department, the Acas conciliation service, the Economic and Social Research Council and the independent Policy Studies Institute. In the past, it has been used by the government to justify its labour market changes, and the latest will be no different.

Ministers will, in general, be delighted by its findings, particularly as the scope of the survey makes it so authoritative. It involved more than 4,700 interviews with more than 2,000 representative employers in the private and public sectors.

The survey confirms how savagely the trade unions have been hit. Union density — the proportion of employees who are members - fell from 58 per cent in 1984 to 48 per cent in 1990. Even in the public sector, which buttresses UK union



'I'm alright, Jack!': Peter Sellers characterising an intransigent shop steward in the 1959 film

mbership, density is down from 80 to 72 per cent. In private-sector manufacturing it has dropped from 56 to 48 per cent, while in private services the level is even lower —

down from 30 to 27 per cent.
Non-unionism — having no unions at all in the workplace - is sharply up. Now, 36 per cent of establishments have no unions, compared with 27 per cent in 1984. For white-collar employees, the figure is even higher, at 49 per cent. The survey says that while management hostility is apparent in about a third of non-union workplaces, disenchantment among employees with unions might be a greater factor.

The decline of union strength, and the subsequent reduction in the number of employers recognising unions for bargaining purposes means that only a minority of employees are covered by collective bargaining. Among those working for large establishments — 25 emsurvey, about 8.4 million out of a total

of 15.3 million, or 54 per cent, still have their pay settled collectively by traditional bargaining. But as the 6.6 million employees, mainly in small workplaces, who were not covered by the survey are much less likely to be covered by collective bargaining, the proportion of workers whose pay and conditions are settled in this way may be less than 40 per cent.

onservative legislation has brought about the virtual disappearance of closed shops — arrangements under which people's employment depended on their being union members. In mld-1984, between 3.5 million and 3.7 million employees were covered by closed shops. The 1990 survey estimates the number at 'a maximum of half a million, and the researchers believe changes in the law that came into effect after the 1990 study mean the next workplace survey will mark the complete end of _ : Across much of British industry,

Total stoppages, and non-strike action such as overtime bans, have fallen by more than half, though ministers will be less comfortable that strikes are more likely now to be supported by picketing than they were in 1984, the year of the miners' strike. Also, the level of secondary industrial action - workers not directly involved in a strike taking action in support — though low, affecting 4 per cent of workplaces, is no lower than it was eight years ago. The government will also be un-

strikes are largely a thing of the past.

happy that the much-vaunted move to pay bargaining at individual plant level has been largely illusory, and that the break-up of pay setting at national level has only moved the process as far down as companies.

These and similar findings ripple through into all aspects of the relations between employers and employees, from the continuing decline of the shop steward who so characterised industrial relations in the fifties, sixtles and seventies.— witness Peter Sellers's Fred Kite in Pm Alright, Jack — to the declining number of employers (now down to 13 per cent) who are members of employers' organisations. That raises questions about the representativeness of such bodies as the Confederation of British Industry and the Institute of Directors, much as the Conservative government successfully questioned the representativeness of trade unions in the 1980s.

However, though the survey shows conclusively that there have been enormous changes in British industrial relations, it also shows that such changes have been led, though not wholly confined to, the private sector.

espite the disciplines of privatisation, contracting out, agency arrangements and other measures, in the public sector they still do things more like they used to be done everywhere.

In the public sector, unions are still strong. Though they are recognised in only 87 per cent of workplaces, compared with 99 per cent in 1984, the drop is almost entirely accounted for by the government's withdrawal in 1987 of teachers' pay negotiating rights. In the public sector, multi-unionism — the proliferation of unions seen by many managers as one of the banes of British industry is still commonplace, with an average of 3.3 unions in every public-sector workplace, compared with 1.7 in the

private sector.

In the public sector, collective bargaining is still widespread, with 78 per cent of employees covered. In the public sector, too, there are still strikes: local government and higher education, not coalmining and carmaking, are now Brimin's most strike-prone sectors. The gap between industrial relations change in the private and public sectors may be seized on by ministers as indicating the agenda for future change.

Whatever the fate of the Maastricht treaty, the EC will usher in many changes that might run counter to some of the deregulation, decentralisation, decentralisation, and deformalisation that the survey

But the survey team concludes that many changes that occurred in the 1980s are irreversible. That is a conclusion many employers and employees, in all industries and services, reached some time ago. Whether the changes sought by Margaret Thatcher are of real economic value will remain open to ideological dispute; but the impact of the 1980s means the world of the shopfloor has altered beyond recall.

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determined, however, to

maintain a frisson in its finan-cial pages. As well as talking to

Smith, it has, inside sources

reveal, signed up ex-Slater

Walker chief Jim Slater as an

interim guest columnist when

Faith departs on October 4.

Slater has written several chil-

dren's books and the paper

plans to serialise his new book

on stock market investment.

Same old Sizewell

NUCLEAR Electric is run-

start generating electricity be-

Buerk makes

waves

MICHAEL Buerk, the To newsreader who presented vesterday's Cartier-sponsored Venturer of the Year award at the Savoy, confessed himself torn between giving away the "management buyout award" or the "sellout award" when he came to presenting a prize to David Mace, managing director of Sea Life Centres. Mace has spent 13 years building up the group, Britain's leading developer of seaside walk-through aquariums, and after a management buyout from Norsk Hydro in 1987 had sold the company just the previous day to Vandon, the London Dungeons group. That deal was worth £9.9 million - compared with the E2 million buyout price - and Mace himself personally picked up just short of £1 million from the proceeds. Unabashed by Buerk's comments, however, Mace managed to look as delighted as the other six venture capitalist winners as he walked away from the reremony clutching his Cartier boardroom clock and watch. The overall winners, incidentally, were Adrian Breger and Jamie Gibson of Breger Gibson. Welsh disposable nappy manufacturers.

Smith on Sunday TERRY Smith, the former head of research at UBS Phillips & Drew and author of the controversial Accounting for Growth, may have found a new home for his talents. He says he has been in talks that may lead to him turning City columnist, taking over the slot now occupied by actor Adam Faith on the Mail on Sunday. "I have spoken to them but I am still deciding." Smith says. Faiths relationship with the newspaper has been every bit as colourful as the one bepygen Smith and his old employer - the paper was forced to pull his "Faith in a Million" get rich scheme for readers earlier this year after the Secunines and Investments Board intervened. The paper seems fore Eurotunnel takes its first

THE ecu may not be everyone's favourite currency right now but one person who remains an enthusiastic supporter is Bill Holmes, managing director of the European half of California Software. The company specialises in adapting 1BM mid-range computers for personal computers and for two years has been pricing its products in ecus. Holmes says that after initial resistance, so popular has the policy been that he has now persuaded even non-EC countries such as Sweden and Norway to pay him in ecus. People can price the products in local currencies and they are totally protected from currency changes. They just don't realise how easy it is," Holmes raves. While his main aim is to neutralise currency gains, he says the exceptional fall of the pound through its exchange rate-mechanism floor last week resulted in large curren-

ning advertisements in the trade press extolling its virtues. "One day, all power stations will be made this way," the Bell rings copy runs. "On budget and ahead of schedule." The accompanying photograph is of the Sizewell B power station on the Suffolk coast. At this point readers with long memories could be forgiven for an abrupt double-take. Surely, it is not the Sizewell B. subject of Bell, and, as Collis says, yesteragonising three-year public enquiry in the 1980s which made the project a byword for delay and bureaucratic encumbrance? The very same. A spokesman for the company explains: "Nuclear Electric is saying that it is on time and on budget because since Nuclear Electric was formed in 1989 it hasn't gone over budget." Construction should also be ahead of time, he adds. The explanation may not convince everyone but one person who is bullish is Nuclear Electric chairman John Collier. He apparently has a bet on with more than double what he Eurotunnel's Sir Alastair earned at Vickers. Morton that Sizewell B will

paying passenger. Sizewell is due on stream in 1994.

Ecu winner

cy gains for his company.

AFTER seven-and-a-half years with Vickers, publicity director Terence Collis, 38, could have wished for a better week to take his leave. Today is his last day before becoming managing director of Sir Tim Bell's financial PR firm. Lowe day's news "was the most difficult set of announcements I've ever had to deliver". Collis says the company particularly wanted him to stay until the interims were out. "It is difficult going out at a time when there is tremendous pressure on the company but Vickers has been good to me and I was only too happy to stay." For Collis. unlike some of Vickers hundreds of ex-employees, better things are in store. He joins Lowe Bell after a week's holiday and is understood to have been offered a salary

Why company pension schemes should not be allowed to die out

From Mr Roger Westwood Sir, David Blake's article "It's time to take our pensions out of the hands of employers". (Business Comment, September 18) raises some interesting suggestions for changes in pension provision. Doubtless,

many of them will be thoroughly examined during the debate which will be engendered by the publication recently of the consultative document of the Pension Law Review Committee. Mr Blake sets out to describe his ideal design for a

pension scheme. Unformnately, he does not fully answer the question "ideal for whom?" For employees, for employers? Mr Blake asks "what would we think if, when we started working for a company, the employer insisted that we deposit all our savings with the company?" In fact, this is a question employees no longer need to answer. For slightly more than four years employers have not been able to require their employees to join a company-sponsored scheme.

Despite a multitude of com-

petitive personal pension schemes on offer as alternatives, millions of people have either chosen to stay in an employer-sponsored scheme, or to join one.

Whether the scheme is money purchase or final salary, people are members of company-sponsored schemes because they want to be. So why is it in their interest that these schemes, as Mr Blake puts it, be allowed to die a natural death?

There is no reason in princi-ple why Mr Blake's ideal pension scheme should not be available to anybody who wants to buy it, but we fear that the underlying, and unacceptable, message in his article is that the ideal market for his ideal product is one from which all company-sponsored competition has been conveniently removed. Yours faithfully. ROGER WESTWOOD. President,

The Society of Pension Consultants, Ludgate House, Ludgate Circus,

Benefits of devaluation for British tourism

From Mr J.A. Bodiender Sir. In 1985, when the dollar and the pound virtually reached parity (at its lowest point, it was about \$1.04 to £1) an American staying in London at an hotel charging £120 per night would have paid \$120. Until last week, with the pound worth virtually double the dollar, the same

American would have had to pay \$240 for the same room. In fact, the room may now be available for £80 (that is, a drop of one third in money terms and much more in real terms after inflation) which would have cost him, prior to devaluation, \$160, or \$40

The example illustrates the extent to which the British hotel industry is suffering from both the effects of the recession and a high value pound; it also shows how much American visitors suffered at the height of sterling's strength - and the USA is the key recovery market.

Government policies until DEBRA ISAAC this week have had a severely

negative influence on the tourism industry, on the employment it creates (over 1.5 million) and on the foreign exchange it earns (£7.8 billion in 1990).

It is little surprise therefore

that the industry should welcome the recent devaluation of sterling against most major countries - not only in America, but Germany and Japan and other important markets. Devaluation will make Britain infinitely more attractive as a tourist destination. It will

also make outbound tourism from the UK more expensive which will have the added benefit of encouraging more UK residents to stay at home next year. For the tourism industry at

least, recovery could begin in 1993 and buoyant trading conditions could return in 1994 and 1995. Yours faithfully. J.A. BODLENDER. Chairman, Horwath Consulting. S Baker Street.

Trade figures will

BUSINESS LETTERS.

be published

From Mr W. McLennan Sir, Your Business Comment column on 23 September said that "meaningful trade figures will not be published for at least six months and probably nearer a year after the single European market comes into force" at the beginning of 1993. This is incorrect.

The statistics of trade with non-EC countries will be published as normal. For EC countries, there will be some delay while a new system, Intrastat, is introduced. However, we expect to publish, as usual, in mid June, aggregate statistics of visible trade for the first quarter of 1993 as part of the regular Balance of Payments accounts, and monthly figures soon thereafter.

The decision not to provide full link between the old and new systems was not taken lightly. Because the present system cannot continue after 31 December, any link would have been very costly to businesses, requiring several thousand to report two sets of information on the same trade. This problem is not con-fined to the UK; all other EC

position. Yours faithfully, W. McLENNAN, Director, Central Statistical Office. Great George Street, SW1.

countries will be in a similar

The way towards full employment

From Brigadier Paxton-Brown Sir, I would have expected the new chief executive at such a British institution as Lloyd's with its proud 300-year history (picture - Business Times. September 14) to ride a British-made bike - but NO.

Sadly, Mr Peter Middleton has chosen foreign - not even a BMW to keep it in the Common Market so to speak - but is pictured astride his new 800 c.c. Japanese Suzuki, aptly-named "Intruder". At least he will be anonymous with his helmet on.

What's the betting Mr Mid-dleton has a Lexus or Mercedes at home, instead of buying Bentley, Jaguar or other British marque, all of which are in urgent need of a boost in these hard times?

think that for every foreign car or upmarket bike we buy, we are adding to the balance of payments deficit, and exchanging a job in Birming-

Where has patriotism gone?

Clearly, it is not strong at

Lloyd's - but this is perhaps

Nowadays we rarely stop to

the least of their worries!

ham or Dagenham for two jobs in Nagasaki. We cannot afford for this situation to continue in the longer term. BUYING BRITISH in Britain would solve our lamentable economic plight and

currency problems, and bring us back towards full employment Yours faithfully, G. A. PAXTON-BROWN,

The Garth, Northallerton, North Yorkshire.

Investigation into House of Fraser takeover

Sir, You report the takeover panel has censured the Al-Faved brothers for misleading the market when they bid for House of Fraser and Harrods. You also quote the finding of trade department inspectors that the Al-Fayed's "dishonestly misrepresented their origins, their wealth, their business interests and their resources" in the course of that £573 million takeover. But so far as I am aware

From Mr. David Green

every penny of that £573 mil-

lion was forthcoming when due: and House of Fraser and Harrods has traded ever since profitably and without fraud on any customer, creditor, pension fund or anyone else. Can anyone explain why it is the Al-Fayed brothers continue to enjoy such comprehensive investigation and comment - from departments of state downwards? Yours faithfully, DAVID GREEN, Rhyd yr Harding.

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THE TRADE DEPARTMENT FINDINGS ON THE BLUE ARROW AFFAIR

A case of one man exercising too much power

The government yesterday published its long-awaited report into Blue Arrow.

Here are extracts from the conclusions on the leading players in the affair

Peter de Savary At the time of our appointment Mr de Savary was viewed in the media and elsewhere as having a prominent and questionable role in relation to certain of Blue Arrow's affairs, in particular the Canvey transaction. Such a perception was incorrect. Our Inquiry into Blue Arrow has not disclosed any fraud or impropriety concerning the Canvey transaction. We are satisfied it was a genuine commercial transaction and was offered in good faith by Mr de Savary.

Michael Ashcroft Mr Ashcroft has been a close colleague of Mr Berry for many years. The extent of his influence on Mr Berry is not

easy to assess. Mr Berry sought his We have heard of advice on corporate matters conhis generosity, cerning Blue his loyalty to his Arrow over the years, including in friends and of the relation to the acquisition of Manpower, although importance he Mr Ashcroft did places on trust not render an in-

voice for any such advice until the LJA invoice of 9 December 1988. We were unsatisfied by the explanations received from both Mr Berry and Mr Ashcroft as to the reasons for the timing, the amount and the prompt payment of this invoice. There have also been dealings between Mr Berry and Mr Ashcroft involving Blue Arrow as set out in this Report. These include transactions concerning Miss World shares in respect of which there were, in our view, disquieting features and arrangements, of which Blue Arrow was unaware, between Mr Berry and Mr Ashcroft relating to Blue Arrow shares. These arrangements concerning Blue Arrow shares were not disclosed by Mr Ashcroft in response to enquiries and Section 212 notices sent to him in the period January to June 1989. Although Mr Ashcroft had no

role in the management of the Company, in his capacity as Chairman of ADT he did feature at two strategic times during the later period of Blue Arrow's history under review in this Report. First, at the time of Mr Berry's imminent removal in late December 1988 /early January 1989 when ADT sent the Board two tentative offers for the Company, the second of which was conditional upon there being no change in the management. Later, when Mr Ashcroft attended the AGM in April 1989, his questions, including that relat-ing to post balance sheet events,

were intended to embarrass the then Board Mr Ashcroft told us that he wished to convey to the new Blue Arrow the impression that he was "an unguided missile ... that they could not pin down" and "a variable" and, as such, someone to

be "taken into consideration in their dealing with Mr Berry".

Bruce Gray Mr Gray, as Company Secretary, was responsible for ensuring that the Company complied with procedural requirements, both under the Articles of Association and under Statute, and that it complied with its obligations to The Stock Exchange. Mr Gray had prime responsibility for the irregular procedures concerning Directors' Meetings generally and was re-sponsible for the preparation of the minutes of two Directors' Meetings dealt with in this Report which did not take place, namely, 29 November 1988 relating to the Portugal joint venture and 2 December



Breach of faith: the report finds Tony Berry guilty of serious failures in his fiduciary duty

1988 concerning the Canvey trans-action . . . Although we do not consider Mr Gray's conduct to have been either dishonest or intentionally misleading, nonethe-less, the discharge of his responsibilities as Company Secretary of a public company was, in these respects, most unsatisfactory.

Norman Tebbit We have made no criticism of Mr Tebbit's role as a non-executive director in any of the events at Blue Arrow. He too at all times acted

both responsibly and honourably

in fulfilling his duties as a non-executive director and in his endeavours to resolve what he viewed as the problems at Blue Arrow.

Mitchell Fromstein When Manpower was taken over by Blue Arrow in september 1987, Mr Fromstein lost what has been described as "his baby". It was a company which he had built up which had grown rapidly under his leadership. leadership We have not criticised Mr

Fromstein's conduct as a director of Blue Arrow in any respect either in

the period prior to his dismissal in December 1988, when he was Chief Executive Officer of Manpower, or following his return in January 1989, when he became Chief Executive of Blue Arrow.

Tavid Atkins
Mr Atkins had a close friendship
with Mr Berry. He tried at times to act as a restraining influence on Mr Berry. However, he does not seem to have played any significant role in any of the matters dealt with in this Report, except that we consider that, as an executive

responsibility for the continuing irregular procedures concerning meetings of executive directors referred to as Directors' Meetings.

Nicholas Fazakerley

Mr Fazakerley has been criticised in two respects in this Report, namely, in his allowing the sundry debtors account relating to Mr Berry's development in Portugal to remain unresolved for so long without raising his concerns with other directors or the Board and, like Mr Atkins, for his share of responsibility as an executive direc-tor in relation to the continuing irregular procedures for Directors'
Meetings... We recognise Mr
Fazakerley did try to restrain some
of Mr Berry's actions.

Antony Berry

Blue Arrow and Mr Berry came to be regarded in people's minds as synonymous. He had built up Blue Arrow from a small private company into a very large public company... The acquisition of Manpower, how-

ever, put the Company into a different league. Mr Berry is both likeable and charming. We have heard of his generosity, his loyalty to his friends and of the importance he places on trust in his relationships.

Although a strong

personality, he is not nuthless or arrogant. On a personal basis, no witness has spoken other than of his charming

and pleasant personality.

Mr Berry has fully co-operated with our inquiry in readily responding to our substantial requests for documentation and in attending before us. However, as will be apparent from this Report, there are a number of occasions where we have not accepted Mr Berry's evidence either because, in our view, it was not credible or because it was contrary to other

evidence which we have accepted.

The picture that has emerged is one of Mr Berry largely continuing to run Blue Arrow as he had always done despite its transformation to a substantial public company... In reality the environment that existed at the time at Blue Arrow enabled Mr Berry, as both Chairman and Chief Executive, to exercise too much power.

There is, however, a separate and more serious category of conduct on the part of Mr Berry which we have addressed in this Report. Such conduct, in our view, amounted to breaches of Mr Berry's

fiduciary duty to Blue Arrow, and is summarised below:

Deliberately making two misleading statements to the Board concerning the Canvey transaction. Concluding the Canvey transaction despite the absence of Board approval and without authority. Deliberately omitting to inform the Board about the revision to the

BAC shareholders' agreement.

Not bringing to the Board transactions in which he had an actual or possible conflict of interest

and duty.

In addition, Mr Berry paid insufficient regard to the need for compliance with his statutory obligations as a director and with regulatory matters concerning the

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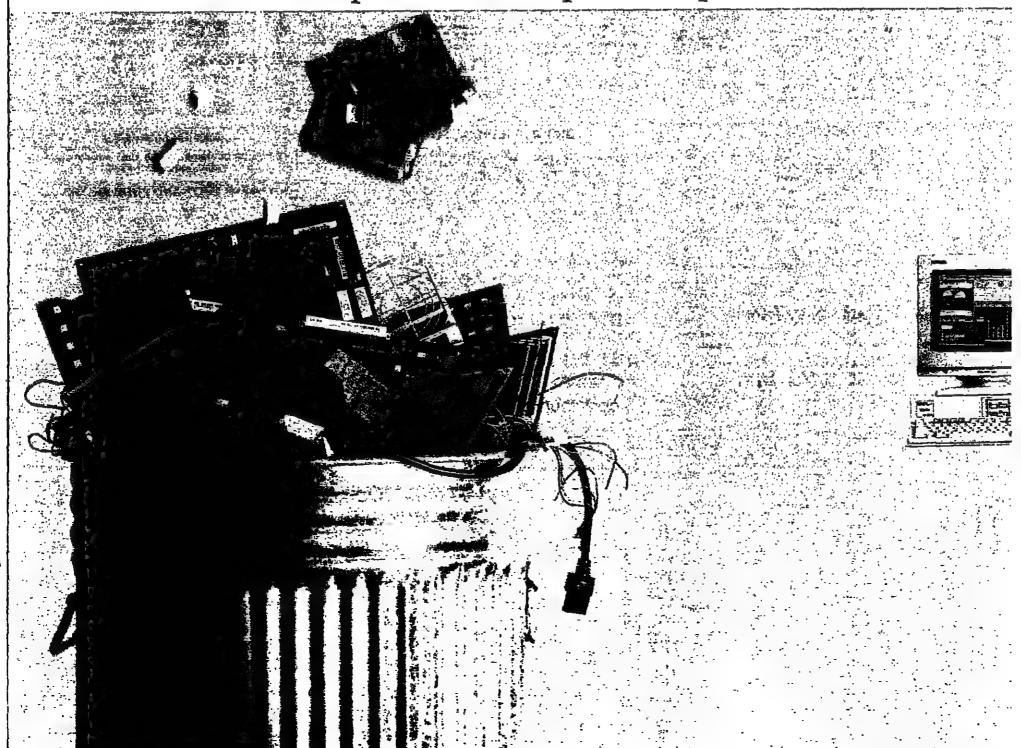
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The effects of the Manpower takeover became too much for Mr Berry to cope with

attention. He became subject to a build up of pressures, both corporate and personal, following the substantial fall in the share price and its failure to rally, brought about largely by matters outside his control, namely the stock market crash and the

County NatWest shareholding. While the above can explain, in part, Mr Berry's actions, it does not excuse them. He was the Chairman and Chief Executive of a major public company and, in both roles, had onerous duties and responsibilities. In this Report we have criticised, in varying degrees of severity, acts and omissions on the part of Mr Berry. Such conduct was clearly not acceptable for someone in a position of authority in a public

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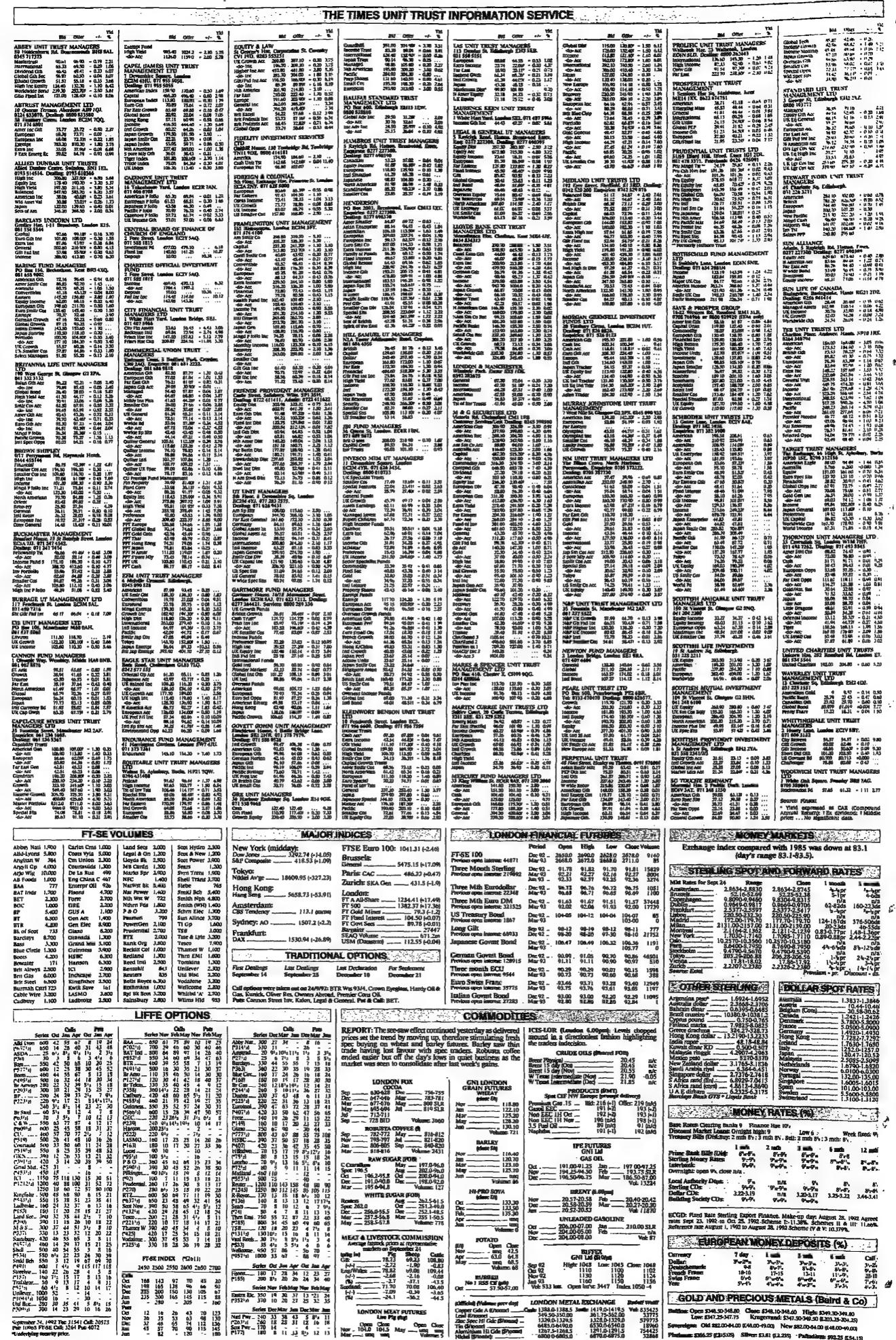
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By DEREK HARRIS

THE royal touch seems to be working well for young people setting up their own business with help from the Prince's Youth Business Trust, of which the Prince of Wales is president.

The employment department. which contributes £3.5 million a year to the trust, asked P-E International, the consultant, to run a rule over the royal charity and discovered that two thirds of the young entrepreneurs helped by the trust were still trading after three years. Two thirds of those survivors were also doing as well as, or better than, they had expected when they

The trust helps people aged 18 to 25, although the age limit is raised to 30 for those who are disabled. Grants of up to £1,500 and loans to a ceiling of £5,000 are available. The trust scheme also offers counselling for businesses when needed, a non-financial support that has earned many plaudits.

The success rate is assessed as being strong, given the youth or disadvantage of those launching businesses. More than 15,000 people have benefited from the work of the trust, while more than 3,000 are now being helped to set up in business each year.

The businesses show many signs of maturing. Overall, 16 per cent of them have grown to the stage where they have paid employees. Of those set up in 1990, 24 per cent have taken on paid help. Patrick Grattan, chief operating

officer for the trust, said: "The great majority of our businesses remain one-person concerns, but the record of employment of others and of growth is good compared with the performance and survival of all very small businesses in Europe and the United States."

Even those with failed businesses found the experience left them a dynamic inheritance: nearly half were determined to try another new business and others said it made getting a job easier. Half said their confidence had been boosted. More details can be obtained from the trust on 071-321 6500, or by writing to 5 Cleveland Place, London SW1Y 6JJ.



"Good grief, no! We're not discriminating against you — we don't like any small businesses!"

Hearts of gold in the office

TWO men with an interest in the bad things of life are Paul Sonabend and Giles Wigoder. They have a heart-monitoring business, based in London, offering budget health checks for companies interested in protecting the health of office staff and shopfloor workers.

Mr Sonabend, who has been in business for ten years, picked up the idea for what is now Lifestyle Diagnostics three years ago. He was at an industrial seminar in America and found heart-testing there had become common practice. In one town near Boston he found it was compulsory for com-panies to screen all their employees. It led him into partnership with Mr Wigoder who, at 33, is manager of Lifestyle, part of the Incoms business of which Mr Sonabend is managing director. Other activities like consultancy on use of filter screens, wrist pads and arm rests for operators of visual display units are, for the moment, the main

support of the overall business. Lifestyle has been chasing health monitoring business for two years and has signed up a number of cus-tomers including a government de-partment. But right company budgets mean other potential customers are unlikely to sign up before next year, Mr Sonabend said. Sizable profits for Lifestyle are

consequently not expected until 1993 programmes come in But the pulses of another 10,000 employees should have been tested by the end of this year. Lifestyle offers employee screening at between £15 and £20 a time. This is a step down

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LOANS & INVESTMENT from the private health schemes that many companies subscribe to for health monitoring of executives. Lifestyle purposely aimed its tests at the shopfloor workforce not usually covered by such schemes. The Family Heart Association is supporting the Lifestyle scheme.

Lifestyle has run into two problems. One is persuading employers to take up the scheme in the first place. Usually they approach the personnel department of a company, a field in which Mr Wigoder has some expertise since he was a personnel officer in Kingfisher's

Comet electrical division.

Mr Wigoder said: "Many employers put the health of their workforce fairly low on their list of priorities - and with the recession many of them have been faced with redundancies and don't see the point in screening employees who might not be with the company within the next five years." Those offered screening also

might have doubts. Mr Wigoder said: The very idea of having tests for blood pressure or cholesterol level scares many people for they think it will show them up to be unhealthy and bring them face to face with some of their more indulgent habits."

Nurses carry out the tests, usually at company premises. As well as blood pressure and cholesterol tests there is a check for signs of diabetes. Lifestyles are questioned to build up an individual picture so appropriate advice can be given.



Health check: Giles Wigoder, manager of Lifestyle Diagnostics

Annabel Broome, a psychologist, has contributed to a guide to starting in business that is available free from BT. The idea is to show. through case histories, how telecommunications can help new businesses, but there is also a guide to the personality types to be found among entrepreneurs. She identifies the solo flyers who tend to be dogged while working alone, the tycoons, who are all about power. vitality and ruthlessness, the stalkers who, like chess players, calculate every move, and the family oriented people for whom their group is king. The guide and a self-assessment questionnaire may be obtained by calling 0800 800 910.

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Doubts cloud new TV picture

Digital television is to be launched soon. But there are problems,

reports Barry Fox

he world of television and video is moving inexorably from the analogue to the digital domain. The question is not whether the change will affect viewers, but how and when.

There are two strands to the story. One involves high-definition tele-vision of far better quality than anything yet seen in the home: the other involves "conventional" television with quality similar to today's.

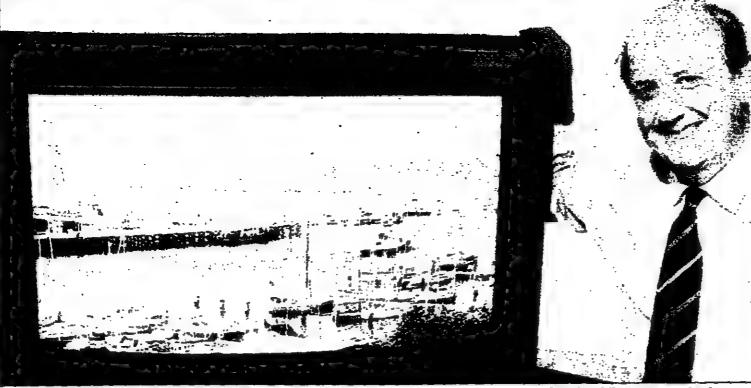
All present-day television transmissions are analogue, and most use the widely adopted system known as PAL. The home video cassette recorders that tape them are also analogue. The Eureka project HD-MAC. Europe's high-definition television system, is analogue, as is the D2-MAC satellite system on which it builds. Technically, HD-MAC is on target for commercial launch in 1994 or 1995, but its

prospects look increasingly bleak. Of the three European companies most heavily committed to the Eureka HD-MAC project, Thomson and Philips are working on a digital HDTV system for use in the United States. Both companies now appear to be preparing for a policy turnaround at the end of the year, if the European Commission votes not to

spend about £600 million on subsidising HD-MAC. One group is The vote will be taken at EC Coundeveloping a high cil meetings in definition system November and December, Even if for much less ministers approve the spending, it

can only help the production of HDTV programmes for transmission in any format There can be no hope now of the full-scale switch by broadcasters from PAL to D2-MAC transmission, which is needed to provide Eureka's evolutionary upgrade from D2-MAC to HD-MAC.

The satellite broadcasters are using PAL instead of D2-MAC because the EC's 1986 directive, which was



Wary about claims being made for the likely growth of high-definition television: John Forrest of National Transcommunications

supposed to make them use MAC, included a glaring loophole that was never plugged. This allowed the use of PAL from satellites - notably Luxembourg's Astra — which work at lower power and lower frequency than those covered by the directive.

If HD-MAC must be written off as an oportunity lost to Europe by the EC's 1986 directive, the only logical sten will be for Europe to look fur-

ther ahead and plan for an alidigital and highdesinition television future. Telling signs could be noticed at

the international

Broadcasting Convention in Amsterdam in July. Engineering opinion was that analogue HD-MAC had missed its chance and that the only sensible way forward was with an all-digital, high-definition system in the second half of the

A group of Scandinavian researchers demonstrated a working alldigital high-definition system called Divine, which the group is developon HD-MAC. At the same time, engineers demonstrated technology developed by Britain's National Transcommunications, under contract from the Independent Television Commission. This allows one of today's terrestrial television channels to carry either one all-digital HDTV programme, or at least four all-digital television programmes of similar quality to an analogue PAL

programme.
These transmissions can even be stotted into gaps in the UHF band that exist between today's analogue programmes, to create room for up to 20 new digital services, which could be run in parallel with existing analogue services. However, John Forrest, the chief executive of National Transcommunications, is wary of predictions made for the growth of

high-definition television. It is very impressive, but I cannot see the domestic market for it being very large until flat-screen, on-thewall technology makes the sets accep-

table to most people," he says. "My biggest personal worry is the pressure to push the consumer into purchases of new technology before

the question of programme services has been adequately considered. Few people buy equipment for its marvellous technology. They buy a service, for programmes or information, to bring them fun and relaxation."

When digital television arrives. there will be an immediate need for digital video recorders. This will play a clever new trick: recording all the

digital code from one broadcast channel to unravel later. The code will represent either one HDTV programme or a dutch of conventionally transmitted programmes.

Afterwards, the ewer will be able to decode and play back chosen programmes. Some of these may be scrambled, and viewed only by subscription or pay-per-view

The already advanced technology for digital video recorders is moving fast because the broadcasting industry is tearing itself apart in a battle to create a new standard for professional digital video recording.

The battle is already leading to lower costs and is encouraging the rival manufacturers to look at every available way of simplifying the technology. The work now being done on professional systems will inevitably spin off into the domestic market during the second half of the

The most significant innovation is the development of tems, which reduce The next step is to the number of digital bits that have to

bring the price be recorded on to the tape. down to realistic Fewer bits mean consumer levels longer recording times, and simplify and cheapen the

recorder mechanism. The trick is to reduce the number of bits without sacrificing picture quality or facilities such as freeze-frame and fast search.

These problems have already been solved for professional digital video. The next step is to bring the price down to consumer levels. This should have been done by the time broadcasters start transmitting digital and high-definition programmes

Opening the systems door

telephone hotline is being planned by the government for organisations wanting advice on converting their computer operations to "open sys-tems". This would allow them to mix equipment from various suppliers without being shackled to the standard of a single

manufacturer Central and local government have done their best to foster open systems by their purchasing policies. but commercial take-up has

Unbiased information can be difficult to find. The trade and industry department has sent out a consultative document to information technology suppliers asking for sponsorship for a telephone service fielding questions on any aspect of

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Would-be open systems customers may have questions about standards, products and suppliers, and may wint to contact organisations which already

use open sys-tems. Yet the project has been met with scepticism in

the computing industry.

Dr Douglas Eyeions is the director general of the Computing Services Associ-ation (CSA), the trade body of the software and services industry, which also contains some leading hardware suppliers such as IBM, Bull and ICL

He is by no means convinced that the plan will work. The problem for most of computer users, not just in the UK but throughout the world, is that they have a lot of old systems that they want to make run together," he says. "The people who advocate open systems are telling them to make yet another change. "It may become a reality by the year 2000, but not

at the moment, and I do not see the scheme belping much. The concept of open sys-

tems is being promoted most by hardware manufacturers rather than software companies. For example, the French company Bull has just opened a "solution centre", which contains a variety of machines from different suppliers, on which customers can test out applications intended to run across equipment from several manufacturers.

Warren Greaves, the trade and industry department's open systems unit manager, who is in charge

compatible

of promoting the new enquiry service, complains that the industry is giving conflicting the precise nature of open systems.

The industry must start putting out consistent mes sages," he says. Most user

cannot affort large sums to get advice about it.

There is also a suspicion among many users that despite a public commitment to open systems, manufaturers are rejuctant to privide truly independent in-formation about them if it means losing a sale. Hence the department is at pairs to explain that the service should be independent of

sponsoring suppliers. The service could under no circumstances provde details of callers to einer the sponsors or any other organisations."

SEAN HALLAHAN

Lost? Just ask a PC

The use of route-plan-ning computer software is becoming popular among firms with large mobile workforces. This is because travel is playing such a great part in white-collar workers' lives and because a large proportion of a company's workforce may be on the road at any one time. Whether they are sales staff, buyers, maintenance engineers or delivery people, all this travel-

Rouse-planning software allows users to organise cross-country trips with lots of stops, estimate how long each section of the route will take, how much they have to spend on fuel, and calculate the best way to get from one place on the route to another.

AutoRoute Express, for example, contains details of all the major and minor roads in Britain and will calculate all the possible routes from one place to another — and with as many stops as required.
It can calculate the number

of miles involved, show the fastest road, the most scenic road or the shortest road -

Hand-held units with satellite links are on the horizon

which may not be the fastest — and display on-screen maps and travelling instructions for the route, which can then be printed out as hard copy.

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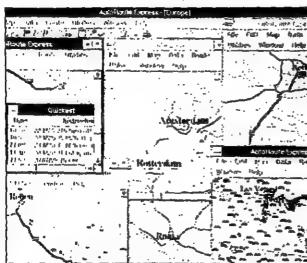
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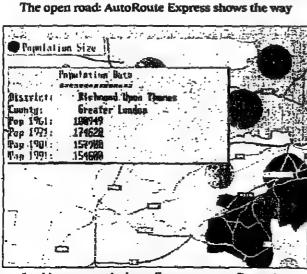
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AutoRoute for the UK. France, the rest of Europe and the United States. The American version is also on sale in the US under the name Automap, and Automap Incorporated of Phoenix, Arizona, a subsid-

iary company, has been established to sell the product. Despite its undeniable success, NextBase is not the only company selling mapping software. Other companies offer packages covering both

hand-held units with satellite links are next on the horizon for off-road travel. Trimble Navigation, for example, has produced Pathfinder Professional, a geographic co-ordinate system consisting of a hand-held device which works with the satellite global positioning system.

off-road and on-road, and

The device can be used with any of 68 different mapping systems to track the position of the user anywhere in the world. A version called Shig-

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ger was used by the American military in the Gulf war. About 5,000 were used by troop commanders to navigate the allied forces through a desert to the north of Kuwait. Iraqi generals said that they never expected anyone to use that route because even natives get lost there.

The American forestry service has also been interested in the units for surveying forest fires and for making sure that logging companies that contract for areas of timber take only the allotted quantity. Until now, line-of-sight surveys were the only way to map the timber taken by a contractor, and such surveys could take as long as two weeks. Now a forest ranger with a Pathfinder unit can walk the area in a day and know exactly how much timber has been taken.

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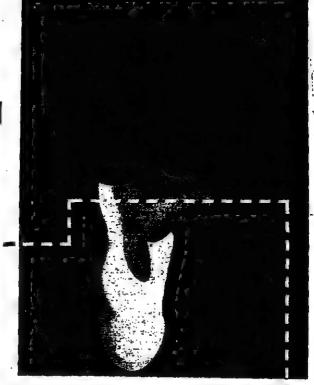
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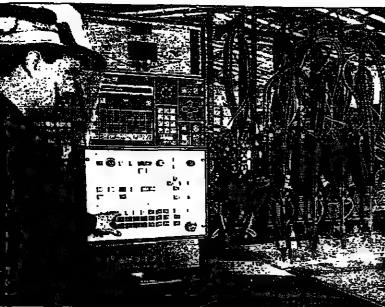
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Sean Hallahan finds computers have automated offices more than shopfloors





An operator, above, uses computer-controlled cutting equipment and, right, a quality controller checks a car using a talking fault-finding system

tory of the future, like the paperless office, was one of those pipe dreams during the 1980s computer enthusiasm. The vision was of lines of computercontrolled robots assembling components with the minimum of human intervention. Automation would bring an end to repetitive jobs, more leisure time and a shorter. more flexible working week.

Something of the flavour of this visionary idyll is captured in The Wired Society, by James Martin, one of the computer industry's most influential observers, published

Mr Martin wrote: "Boring jobs can be done by computers communicating with one another on data networks. Factories can be largely automated, each machine tool containing a microprocessor. and the overall operations being controlled from telecommunications nerve centres."

In practice, information technology, where applied in factories, has often done more in automating paperwork than the production line.

Some manufacturing departments have been heavily computerised for years. At the start of the manufacturing process, drawing offices may use PCs and workstations for computer-aided design, and computer-controlled automated warehouses can be used to speed the distribution process. Walkers Crisps, for examRobot go-slow in the factory

ple, has just completed an automated warehouse, which will handle about 1.5 billion packets of crisps and snacks every year. The process from the end of the production line to the picking lanes, where the goods are made ready for loading on to vehicles, is carried out without human

From five production lines, cartons of crisps and snacks are collected by shuttle cars, which are basically wagons on rails, and carried by conveyor belts and cranes to a racking system all under the control of a computer system. From these racks, goods are

sent automatically to 174 gravity-fed picking lanes, every one with a capacity to hold five pallets. Every lane is replenished when the number of pallets drops to three.

The computer system, which controls cranes, shuttle cars and conveyors, is linked to a minicomputer, which handles order processing and administrative functions, updated automatically than the original large com-puters installed to run auto-mated warehouses 25 years as stock levels change.

ago," he says.

On the production line itself.

however, robotics has general-

ly not taken off as predicted.

The main emphasis of com-puters in manufacturing has

been the scheduling and org-

anisation of materials through

just-in-time software or mate-

requirements planning (MRP) software. MRP

systems have come

under heavy criticism

for failing to deliver

what they promised

and almost as much

attention is being paid

to rectifying failures on

The leading users of just-in-

time systems are in the motor

industry, where a large num-

ber of different parts are needed to assemble different

"Just-in-time works well in

the car industry, because the

big car companies have got

such enormous clout with their

versions of every model.

The company will not put a figure on the cost of the system, saying only that it runs into millions of pounds. A similar system for the South Western Electricity Board cost about £3.5 million. Clearly such systems are

beyond the reach of all except the largest companies, although the cost of the comput-

The huge investments of the 1980s are not being matched now systems already in-stalled as to selling new

ers themselves is continually falling, and the machines are processing information faster and have greater storage.

Nigel Parry, a marketing executive with Digitron, believes many smaller companies can implement automated warehouse and distribution systems using cheap PCs. "The average PC on a desk today has more power

tions manager.
Computer-numerically-controlled machines are also heavily used in the engineering and process industries. However, prospects for a re-generation of British industry by applying computers to the factory floor are not rosy. The huge investments of

the 1980s are not being matched now," says Mick Lacey, the managing director for commerce and industry with the software company Sema, which is running a multi-million-pound process control project for British Nuclear Fuels.

r Lacey argues that there is another factor in the poor take-up of computer-based manufacturing systems: disillusionment with the promise of the computer industry.

One industrial sector that has successfully incorporated computers into its production system is computer manufacsuring itself. Companies such as ICL and IBM have fully automated assembly plants. Of course, they have the advantage of not having to buy the hardware and software, and have a ready pool of skilled staff to implement and maintain the machines.

Where computers have been heavily employed in the manufacturing sector, they have usually improved productivity and reduced costs, but the necessary investment is high, the tasks are complex and -- as Mr Hoare at ICL points out implementation requires big changes in working practices.

Perfect designs come on a plate Winning ideas

from computers

are saving time

and money

facturing process, with the

objective of getting products

to the market sooner, better and cheaper," Mr Ellis says.

Various mechanical attri-

The amount of material

The buzzword in the indus-

omputer-integrated manufacturing aims to do for the factory floor what word processing databases and spreadsheets have done for the office, using information technology to im prove industrial output.

Ideally, it should be far more than an ad hoc collection of information technology tools thrown together to try to achieve an improvement in production methods. Computer-integrated

butes of complex parts, such as weight and centre of gravimanufacturing may have to involve a radical rethink of the ty, can be calculated, so that ways in which people and the way they will behave can processes work together, if it is to provide a basis for be accurately predicted. linking an entire industrial operation, from the design consumed can be estimated. too, for better cost control, and specification of a product and parts schedules can be through its manufacture to its generated automatically. final delivery to the customer.

When Hotpoint was preparing Its latest dishwasher, for example, it instructed a computer to design something strong, longlasting and easy to make, using a minimum of materials. Until recently, that would have been as far as the computer could go. The next step would have been to get a subcontractor to make tooling and manufacture a few prototypes for trials — an expensive and time-consum ing process.

However, the company was testing new software, which generates both two-dimensional drawings and three-dimen-

rional images. The design for the new plate tray was fed into the system, simulated place settings were loaded into it. Disasteri Plates fouled the wires and it would not hold a full 12-place setting. "Discovering the faults at this stage saved the considerable expense of tooling up and making proto-types," says Dave Ellis, information technology coordinator at Hotpoint. Until recently, it meant

little more for the average company than a computerised drawing-board generating drawings in two dimensions. Now, designers can link up with other computer systems throughout a company, with sometimes dramatic results. "Computers can now affect

and benefit the whole of de-

sign, visualisation and manu-

Cleaning up: Hotpoint's David Ellis

try is "concurrent engineering", which aims to compress all the functions of manufacturing into parallel streams. to cut development times.

'Alphanumeric databases, such as parts and materials requirements lists, will already be operating on one system, and it is essential to

link them into others," says Neil McLeod, of Intergraph, which supplied the system at Hotpoint. "Once you have done that, you can to go full circle and analyse the design

before making prototypes."

But for all the computers' labour-saving, Mr Ellis believes that one of the biggest payoffs for industry is the changes in the ways human

beings work together. 'We are establishing an open approach to design, working in small project teams that involve all aspects of manufacturing at the early stages," he says. "Rather than design engineers drawing up a model and passing it to the production engineers, who send it back saying. 'You can't do that', everyone is involved from the start." At the other end of

the scale, companies that would never have considered abandoning pencil and paper a few years ago are buying computer design systems, attracted by the amazingly low prices of PC software. The basic version of horse of the industry, now costs about £150. John Goodman, the Autocad product man-

ager at Autodesk, of Guildford, says: "Users want to share project files, dip into central files of drawings and use databases." The ultimate aim must be to enable all those involved in

making a product to navigate through a company's databases for the information they ● The Computers in Manufac-

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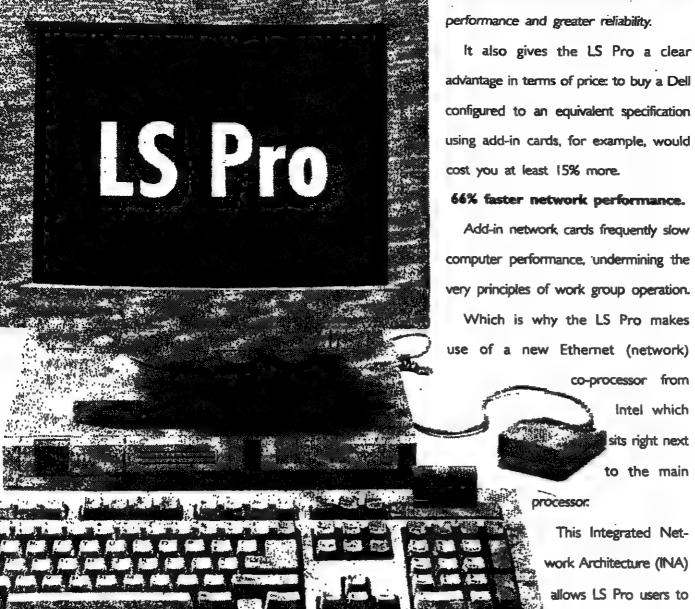
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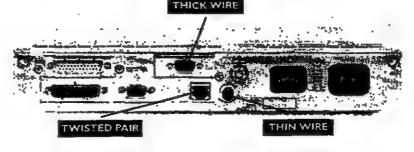
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Refusal of leading athletes to take part has devalued inter-continental competition

Market leaders shun the World Cup

FROM DAVID POWELL, ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT IN HAVANA

THE sixth World Cup begins here today looking as rundown as the Cuban capital, once the most beautiful city in the Caribbean. It is without the support of all but a few of the sport's main personalities and, if this is not the last World Cup, then the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) is not reading the

signs. Tony Dees, the Olympic sprint hurdles runner-up, was supposed to have checked in with the United States team on Wednesday but failed to show. He was the last surviving top name in the US men's line-up and John Capriotti, the assistant team manager, was trying to patch up by asking Nat Page, a 400 metres hurdler, to fill the hole.

No pay, no play, and it shows in a team missing Carl Lewis, Kevin Young, Quincy Watts et al. The Unified Team is without Sergey Bubka and the Africans are minus Noureddine Morceli, Moses Kiptanui and others. Call this a World Cup? "The dollar always comes first and athletes just get per diem cheques to compete," Capriotti said. "The athletes need more incentive to be here.

Even if there was, how many would come? "The World Cup is something that everyone could do without." said Ron Roddan, coach to Linford Christie, one of the few Olympic champions here. There is too much competition." Christie is here at this late stage in the season mainly because he takes pride on captaining his country.

When the World Cup was first held in 1977, the advantages were perceived as an expansion of world-class competition, the stimulation of continental areas, and a way to provide revenue for development. In those days there was no grand prix and no biennial world championships.

Even as recently as 1989 the World Cup still seemed worthbetter than any grand prix

THE career of Herol Graham

is as good as over. After his

defeat in the ninth round by

Frank Grant, a journeyman

boxer from Bradford, at Leeds

on Wednesday night, the for-mer British and European middleweight champion has

no other way open to him but

Since the fourth-round de-

feat by Julian Jackson, the

World Boxing Council charn-

pion, in Spain in 1990, Gra-

ham has never looked happy

taking a punch on the chin,

and if he should continue

boxing he could suffer serious

injury. Graham said after his de-

feat at Elland Road: "I have to

sit down and think about the

future. A knockout by a cham-

pion is one thing but to be

stopped by Grant, well though

Graham's promoter, Mick-ey Duff, said: "Herol put up the best performance that I

have seen but his reflexes are

not what they were. He has

some very serious thinking to

Graham, 33, he has not been

According to people close to

he fought, is another."

retirement.

that season (Bile v Coe and Kingdom v Jackson to name but two). Now there is too much competition and, though Cuba will make \$250,000, it is a loss-maker for the IAAF, which is having to pay a host broadcaster to cover the event.

From 1981 to 1989 the World Cup was held every four years, but has been brought forward from 1993 to avoid clashing with the world championships. The format comprises men's and women's matches between eight teams, three national and one from each of the five continents.

José-Maria Odriozola, the Spanish federation president and manager of the European team, said here that the World Cup had been "a little devalued" by the paucity of the season's champion athletes present and was especially critical of the United States. "I do not care to say my opinion because it is too strong," Odriozola said,

'In the European team we have 60 per cent of our firstchoice athletes." Not worthy of a World Cup, either. However, he remains in favour of the occasion. "It has a special flavour," he said.

By finishing in the first two of the European Cup last year. Britain have qualified for the men's World Cup. Third behind the United States and Europe in the last one, the team appears weak, even compared with a US squad comprising mainly fourth or fifth choices, and will do well to match that position. Britain are without Curtis Robb, Steve Backley, Steve Smith, David Grindley, Tom Hanlon, Rob Denmark and Kriss Akabusi.

Each team fields one athlete per event, scoring eight points for first and one for last. Thus Glen Smith, aged 20 and making his British senior debut in the discus, is as central to the team as Christie, who has been spared the trouble of facing Olapade Adeniken. has beaten him three times since the Olympics.

BOXING

Graham reaches the end

By Srikumar Sen, boxing correspondent

even though he is estimated to

have made close to £750,000

Graham tried desperately to seek a big-money fight with Chris Eubank and Nigel Benn but they both avoided

him. Almost certainly he will

have to stay close to boxing.

perhaps training younger men to win the world title that

Graham has boxed in 18

championships and has been beaten only five times in 49

in a 14-year career.

he could never lift.

comfort for the rest of his life, contests. He was one of the

punch.



Her last throw: Sanderson will bow out of international athletics after representing Europe in Cuba

Adeniken is down for the 200 metres but the African team should still provide Christie with his closest challenger having named Frankie Fredericks for the 100 metres. Fredericks was the silver med-al winner behind Christie in Barcelong

The first-day should be Britain's best and the second their worst. Britain start favourite in only two of the 20 events: the 100 metres and the 110 metres hurdles, in which Colin Jackson should have a clear

finest boxers in post-war Brit-

ain. He was also the unjucici-

est, coming within one point of beating Mike McCallum, of

Jamaica, for the World Boxing

Association title. A year later,

in 1990, he was frustrated by one punch from Jackson. The

referee was about to stop the

bout in Graham's favour in the fourth round when Jack-

son pulled out a knockout

Graham became known as

the best middleweight never to

have a world title. Despite

three more contests he was

never able to change that tag

and it is to be hoped that he

will now have the sense not to

It is a pity that Graham's defeat overshadowed a victory

of Henry Wharton, of York,

over Fidel Castro Smith on the

same bill. It was a well matched contest which Whar-

ton, the British and Common-

wealth super-middleweight

champion, won by one round.

RESULTS: British and Commonwealth super-middleweight championship (12 mds): Henry Wharton (York) bi Fidel Castro Smith (Sreffield, holder), prs. British middleweight championship (12 mds): Fank Grant (Brastord) bi Herol Graham (Sheffield, holder), rsc 9th md.

run in the absence of Dees or the Olympic champion. Mark McKoy.

The British women's team did not qualify but Gowry Retchakan, in the 400 metres hurdles, and Tessa Sanderson, in the Javelin, will represent Europe. Sanderson is having one last international competition before retirement, but is not taking it too seriously. "I am only here for the kit," she said. The LAAF must wish there were more like her so easily pleased.

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23,00; women's long jump 23,20;
women's 4 x 100 metres, 23,35; men's
5,000 metres, 00,20; men's 4 x 400
metres, 00,40; closing ceremony

RUGBY LEAGUE

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Wigan sure to test Larder's theories

By Christopher Irvine

strong in defence. The new coach of Widnes, who play at Wigan tonight in the Stones Bitter championship, says:
"The motion of the team working together flows forward from the defence within

The continued absence of Larder's first choice half-back pairing perhaps explains why Widnes have scored the fourth-fewest points in the League. Their defence, meanwhile, has turned out to be the

most miserly.
When Bobby Goulding and Tony Myler direct affairs behind the scrum, Larder be-lieves the side will gain a broader attacking vision. But

has been hampered by injury, withdrew yesterday because of problems with his knees.

dem with John Devereux, another former Welsh rugby union threequarter. Riche Eyres, with four tries, is the leading scorer in a powerful forward quartet completed by Paul Moriarty, Les Holliday and the durable New Zealander. Kurt Sorensen.

After encouraging victories over Castleford, Hull KR and Carlisle, the late surrender at home to Bradford Northern last weekend was particularly galling to Larder, the former director of coaching, now in his first club post at the age of

"It was my first taste of defeat, and it wasn't pleasant," Larder said. "We were ground down and our resistance went totally. You can't afford for that to happen against any side. Do that against Wigan, and, really, we'd do better not to bother turning up. My respect for them is huge. They're still the No. I side.

despite newspaper speculation about them being past it." A win in tonight's televised match, the most eagerly-awaited of the campaign so far,would put Wigan into the familiar position of champion-ship leaders, if only until St Helens meet Salford on Sunday. The Central Park casualty list remains lengthy, although Martin Offiah should be back

SALFORD have abandoned talks with Leeds over the transfer of John Gallagher, the former New Zealand rugby union full back, who seems destined to work out the remaining two years of his contract at Headingley on the sidelines (Christopher Irvine

part of the player's outstanding contract, worth about £90,000, and Gallagher, 28, unwilling to compromise on his personal terms, the Salford chairman, John Wilkinson, said yesterday that it had been impossible to reach a deal. Under the coaching regime of Doug Laughton, Gallagher has been unable to command

Swinton, who are fighting the threat of insolvency, are looking for an eleventh-hour rescue. The crisis at the second

division club, which has debts of £200,000 despite selling its ground and moving six miles to play at Bury football club this season, deepened yesterday with the resignation from the board of John Way, a lormer chairman.

man, said Sunday's league game at Oldham and the Lancashire Cup tie against Wigan at home next Tuesday would take place, "It's quite simply really, in that if supporters want us to continue. we will. We need more fans through the gate," he said.

Stuart Pugsley, the new Leigh scrum half, twisted his knee on his first full appearance, in the Lancashire Cup defeat by Oldham on Wednesday, and is likely to be out for

Rambo's Hall 8-1 for repeat win in Cambridgeshire

BY MICHAEL SEELY

RAMBO'S Hall was top quoted at 8-1 for an attempt to repeat his 1989 win in the Cambridgeshire at Newmarket on Saturday week after storming to a convincing win in the Hoover Handicap at

Ascut yesterday. "If it's firm. Melottie will naturally take all the beating." said a jubilant Jeremy Glover after Dean McKeown had driven the seven-year-old to a two-and-a-half length defeat of Croft Valley, with Marine Diver four lengths away third. But if the ground is soft, like it is today, we're going to go

very, very close."
This has been an extraordinary story. Having earnt £100,000 and won the first leg of the autumn double among other races for a lucky syndi-cate of four, the then four-yearold was sold to race in California.

Now nearly three years lat-er, Rambo's Hall is once again the star of Glover's 24-horse string at Worksop in Nottinghamshire. "It's been like a dream," said the trainer. "Even if we planned it our-selves it couldn't have worked out like this. They rang us up and asked us if we'd buy him back for £25,000 as he wasn't suited to racing around the tight turns in the United

Glover reported: "Unfortunately he came back covered with warts and wasn't allowed out of quarantine. When we got him back he had a scar on one of his legs so he had to have a good rest.

"We've been patient with him and, after winning two daimers at Haydock, he's now back on target. He's got 9st 3lb, including a 5lb penalty, but he's only racing off a 3lb higher mark than when he won it before."

Glover also has high hopes of capturing Saturday's £50,000 Festival Handicap with his York winner. Doulab's image. "The trouble is that he has his peaks and troughs, so we're going to have him blood tested before deciding whether to send him down," the trainer added.

Other big-race news yesterday is that the likelihood of Lyric Fantasy and Sayyedati meeting in next Wednesday's Cheveley Park Stakes at New-market has now become a

virtual certainty. Yesterday, both were supplemented for the season's premier race for two-year-olds fillies at a late entry fee of £12.500.

Although Michael Roberts refused to commit himself, it is unlikely that the champion jockey elect will desert Lord Carnaryon's pony-sized flying machine, on whom he has now won five races including the Nunthorpe Stakes.

"Lyric Fantasy has got such speed and Sayyedati might find it difficult coming back to six furlongs from seven," was the rider's only comment. If Roberts sticks with Lyric Fantasy. Steve Cauthen is likely to be asked to partner

Sayyedati, favourite for next spring's 1,000 Guineas after

Stakes and the Moyglare Stud Stakes in Ireland. "She's going to run in the Cheveley Park whether she's got a jockey or not, was Clive Britain's uncompromising comment.

her wins in the Cherry Hinton

The rest of the afternoon virtually belonged to Shaikh Mohammed, Britain's leading owner landing a treble with Lord Chickney. Opera

House and Queen's View. Showing all the courage and determination that saw him finish third to St Jovite in the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes, Opera House proved too good for Red Bishop in the Honver Cumberland Lodge Stakes to claim his third pattern race success of the

After initiating a double on Lord Chickney for John Gosden in the opening Clar-ence House Stakes, Steve Cauthen said: "I had the choice between the pair. There wasn't much between them, but I thought that Opera-House had a bit more class. I thought I might have been wrong when the second took a slight lead over a furlong from

Opera House will now be aimed at the Turf Classic at Belmont Park on October 3. leaving Saddlers' Hall to do duty for Michael Stoute in the Prix de L'Arc de Triomphe.

After Lanfranco Dettori and. Luca Cumani had given Shaikh Mohammed his third winner of the day in the Blue Seal Stakes, the Newmarket trainer said that no decision had yet been reached about Second Set's participation in the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes.

After winning the two-yearold race for the sixth time in the past seven years. Cumuni said: "Some of my winners of this race have been good and some bad, so we'll have to see how this one turns out."

Before the start of the Gordon Carter Handicap. Jimmy Scott was kicked in the chest by Jungle Dancer, who even-tually finished runner-up to Bold Resolution. Michael Stoute's travelling head ladwas taken to Hetherwood Hospital with chest injuries.



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Glover: high hopes .

Ascot

Going: Soft

2:00 (7f) 1, LORD CHICKNEY (S Cauthen, 9-2); 2, Tailb (W Carson, 7-2); 3, Bodd Purnautt, J. Reid, 10-1), ALSO RAN: 11-4 tex Fraem (Soft), 7 Wide Rufin (4th), 7 Lahoob, 14 Betzino (Stift), 35 Bold Memory, 8 rsn. 2, 14, 134, 34, 31, J Gosden et Newmarkst. Total: 55:70, 51:70, E1-80, 22:70 DF; C10-20 CSF E18.60, 17min 32-66s.

CSF 2f8.60, 1 min 32.62s.
230 (1m) 1, RAMBO'S HALL, (Dean McKeown, 9-2 Ji-lay); 2, Croft Valley (T Quinn, 13-2) 3, Maxima Diver (Date Gloson, 12-1). ALSO RAN 9-2 Ji-lay Two Left Feet, 11-2 En Altendam, 10 Properti, 12 Cemden's Ransom (4th), 14 Big Leap (5th), 14 Wave Hill (6th), 16 Biochade, 20 Malboor, 25 Sabotable, 33 Critionhombus, 13 ren, 25i, 4, 11, 39j, 1nd, J Glover at Worksop Tote: \$5.00; \$1.80, \$2.70, \$3.60 DF: 17.60, \$25.73, \$71. Thesat \$301.89 1 min 44.24s Trio: \$88.30.

3.05 (1m 4)) 1, OPERA HOUSE (S Cauthen, 9-4 favi; 2, Red Siahop (Pat Eddery, 5-2); 3, Carden of Heaven (M Roberts, 25-1), ALSO RAN 3 Bonny Soct (4th), 4 September (8th), 5 ran. 1 fd, 31, 1 fd, 71, M Stoute et. Newmarket. Tota: 52.60: £1.40, £1.50 DF. £2.00 CSF; £7.54 2 min 40.47st

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3.40 (8) 1, QUEEN'S VIEW (I. Detroit, 10-1); 2. Felesensh (W.R. Swirtburn, 6-1); 3. Felesensh (W.R. Swirtburn, 6-1); 3. Felesensh (St. Swirtburn, 6-1); 3. Felesensh (St. Swirtburn, 13-2 Hoose, 14 Barbouch (19th), 16 billion (8th), 16 Bil

19 23s.
4.10 (2m 45yd) 1, BOLD RESOLUTION (M Roberts, 5-1 fav); 2, Jungle Demoer (Pat Edday, 10-1); 3, Bardolph (T Quinn; 7-1) 3. ALSO RAN: 11-2 Muce (5th), 6 Weishman, 13-2 Three-Weits, 7 Requested (6th), 7 Aude La Belle, 10 Go South (4th), 9 ran. 61, nt, 41, sh. hd, 191. C Cyzer at Horsham. Tota: 25 60; 51.80, 52.70, 53.40 DF \$18.60. CSF: 547.16 Tricast: 5315.34 3 mn 43.31s. Thir: 572.30. After a stowards' enquity, the result stood.

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4.40 (6); 1, YOURS BY RIGHT (A Tucker, 9-1); 2. Top Pet (M Roberts, 33-1); 3. Shiro (S Cauthen, 16-6 fav), ALSO RAN, 7 Moon Over Milern (4/14), 15-2 Brockton Dancer, 8: Hello Hobson's; 10 Chit Helghis (6th), 12 Naouche, Touch Silver, 14 Persian Reswal (6th), 15 M Vincer, 33 Credit Squeeze, 12 ran, 35 hd, nk, 194, 294, 194, W Turner at Sherborne Tote 59, 40, 52-40, 53-30, 51 80 DF- 5105,30 CSF 5216-68. Thosas 577-55. 1 mm 19, 47s.

5.10 (77) 1. MRS FISHER (J Wesver, 6-5 fax), 2, Olette (F Norton, 5-1); 3, Bold Boss (V Bray, 9-4). ALSO RAN: 8 Helios (4th) 4 ran. Nk. 101, 23H Sr Mark Prescott at Nammerkat. Tota: 52 30; DF 53 50 CSF: 98 25 1mm 31 97s

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2.46 (2m 41.11)(c) ch) 1, Tarten Tellor (B Storey, B-1); 2, Steplester (7-4); 3, Comet (9-2) Nineches 11-10 tav 4 ran, 71, 20, G Alchards Tote: £5.00; DF: £4.00 CSF; £20.80

2.0 80 3.15 (2m 110yd hdie) 1, Lonesome Train (P Hobbs, 15-8 law); 2, Bend Sargeani (12-1), 3, Desert Met (4-1), 8 ren. 2 kl, 3 kl, C Weedon, Toes, £1,90, £1,10, £3,10, £1,30 DF, £16,90 CSF, £22,82 3.45 (2m 4f 110yd hóle) 1, Sweet Duite (C, Llowellyn, 8-4 lav); 2, Bay Tam (11-4); 3, Yorksitre Holly (7-1), 6 nan 41, 31 N Twiston-Daves, 10er 22.70; £1.80, £1.90 OF-£2.30; CSF: £5.88. CSF: £5.88. 4.15 (3m ch) 1. Grange Brake (C Llewellyn: 5-2); 2. The Yank (2-1 tev), 3. Shermago, (20-1) 6 ran. 12, 30. N Tweston-Dovled folte: £5.90; £2.00, £1.10, £3.90. DF: \$4.30; CSF: £7.66 NFL Mandalay Prince

4.45 (3m 110yd hole) 1. Petosku (0 Bridgweiter, 3-1); 2. Essasm Casis (12-1); 3. Dom Edino (16-1) Broctune Gray 5-2 (ss. 6 ran. 101, 8) N Twiston-Davies, Tote ES 10; £1.50, £3.10, £3.90. OF. £43.20 CSF: £34.08 Tricase £454.12

Placepot: £1,293.90 Taunton Going, good to firm

2.20 (2m 3f 110yd hole) 1, Highland Spirit (F Scudamore, 4-9 lav), 2, Strong Bresst-(33-1), 3, Supreme Warrior (100-1) 9 ran. 2, 11, M Ploc, Tota, £1, 30, £1, 40, £1, 80, £8, 30 DF £11, 50 CSF £15, 97 2.50 (3m ch) 1, Grey Tornedo (S McNeil, 8-1); 2, Upstanding (11-4); 3, Parniclety (12-1) Canon Cleas 4-5 fav 5 ran 10, dat Mrs S Wilsems Toter 25.90; 21.80, 21.50 DF: 211.30 CSF 228.68, NA Sonalto.

3.40 (2m thinks) 1, Head Turner (8 Holley, 12-1), 2, Petmer (8-11 Lav), 3, Capper One (6-1), 10 ran. Nn, 3/61 C Watman, Total \$18,90, \$2.40, \$1.40, \$1.30 DF £8 50 CSF \$27.09 MR, Mistral Gat. 2.50 Cm 110yd oh) 1, Lucky Agein (R Stonge, (16-1), 2, Behnoredeen (Evene fav); 3, Free Expression (88-1) 8 rán. 3, dez C Pophem Tole: 21, 90, 21, 60, 21, 40, 21, 50 DF, E14.20, CSF; E30.23,

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4.50 (2m 11 hole): 1, Copy Lane, (Loma
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Placepot 273.80

Martin Pipe's only runners at Taunton yesterday. Highland Spirit and Grand Frere. both obliged.

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By Srikumar Sen LENNOX Lewis will be pre-Mountains of Pennsylvania, said: "He used to tighten up where he will be until October and lose power. Ruddock is 17, said that he was certain of

Graham: gloves off

Lewis calls in heavyweight help

beating Ruddock, whom many experts consider almost

as dangerous as Mike Tyson.

Lewis said: "It's a very positive camp and training is

going very well. So far I have

used six sparring partners.

Tubbs is giving me different

things to think about. Rud-

dock isn't the same fighter that

fought Tyson, but he's not shot

either. After beating Ruddock

Ruddock, who at the mo-

ment weighs 235lb, is train-

ing in the heat of Puerto Rico.

His trainer, Floyd Patterson,

I will get far more respect."

pared for all eventualities when he meets Donovan "Razor" Ruddock, the No. 1 heavyweight contender, in the world title eliminator at Earls Court on October 31.

Whether Ruddock comes to fight or box, or both, Lewis will be ready for him. He has engaged Mike Weaver and Tony Tubbs at \$2,000 each a week as his chief sparring partners. The two former champions are exactly the right men for the job. Weaver is a heavy puncher and Tubbs

training camp in the Poconos

NEVELLE OVENDĚN COMBINATION; Pirst division: Norwich v Wetford; Toteen-

is a superb boxer. Lewis, speaking from his

FIXTURES

7.30 unless stated Barclays League Second division Stockport v Fulham... Third division Darlington v York .

BORID GAIS LEAGUE OF IRELAND: Premier division: Bohomana v Deny Cty (8.00), Dundalk v Shelbourne (8.00)

BASS NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Prescot y Darwen, RUGBY LEAGUE

OTHER SPORT CYCLING: Nessan Classic (Ireland) GOLF: Men's home internationals (Prest-wick). Weetable: women's British Open (Woburn), Golf Foundation qualifier (Weet Kilbnde). SNOCKER: Regal Scottish masters (McCherwell).

and lose power. Ruddock is looser now. If he fought Tyson now he'd give him a much tougher fight after three or four weeks I would expect him to beat him [Tyson]."
The bout, the richest heavy-

weight eliminator ever, will cost £4 million to stage. Lewis's sponsors. Nightstick Autobar. will use a sales force of 7,000 to sell the remaining 7,000 or 8,000 tickets at Earls Court, which holds 12,000 people. ☐ Crawford Ashley's challenge for the vacant European light-heavyweight title against Yawe Davis, a Ugandan-born Italian, was foiled by the rulebook. The French referee marked the 12-round contest in Campione 115-115 after

decision The Dutch judge also gave the boxers equal points, al-though the Swiss judge awarded victory to Ashley, the British champion, from Leeds, by a clear margin. Under European Boxing Union (EBU) rules a draw was declared and the EBU must organise a rematch.

the two judges came to a split

Business rivals do battle

BY ALIX RAMSAY

IT IS a long way from San Francisco to Spitalfields but, from tomorrow, the World Corporate Games will take over the sporting venues of London as 6,000 competitors from around the globe forsake their Filofaxes and do battle on the sports track rather than in the boardroom.

The Games, which open officially on Sunday at Spitalfields Market, began in 1988 in California, and have since visited Hawaii and France. The sports range from petanque to dragon boat racing and will take place at the best venues in and around the capi-tal, including the All England Club and

The idea is to have athletes of all standards and ages competing in a structured competition. The teams are divided into age groups and divisions according to number, allowing the three-strong badminton team from a restaurant in Stoke Newington to compete alongside the 450 members of the British Airways squad.

Casting a professional eye over the proceedings at each venue will be sports personalities such as Bernard Gallagher. Virginia Wade, Fred Perty and Sir Stanley Mat-

In London, Midland Bank will be pinning

PHIL Larder is at one with Brian Clough in believing successful sides have first to be ward from the defence, with your scrum half and stand-off the attacking linchpins. If they don't work, then the backs

cannot possibly operate."

they have yet to play together. Goulding does return at scrum half tonight after a twomatch suspension, but will have David Hulme as his partner. Myler, whose career

Should Wigan commit Widnes to move possession out wide, they will find Adrian

Hadley is showing a new incisiveness since his signing from Salford, working in tan-

thews. But sporting prowess will not be the only skill put to the test. In Hawaii, in 1990, the team from Charles Schwabb not only won its division, but also recorded more business that week than it had all year, negotiating deals over post-match isotonic

their hopes on their hockey team, which in-cludes Rob Clift, the Great Britain men's team captain. One of the showpiece sports will be the dragon boat racing at Surrey Docks, where Nuclear Electric will be fielding the strongest team in the country, the Hardepool Power Men.

Gallagher stays put

With Leeds refusing to pay

a regular first-team place for . 18 months.

Malcolm White, the chair-

two weeks.

GREENALL'S LANCASHIRE CLIP: Semi-limal distant: Si Hearns or Widnes; v Selford; Swinton or Wigen v Oldham Tiest to be played on October 7.

Thab can recapture winning form on softened ground

FOLLOWING further rain, supporting proven mudlarks looks the order of the day at Ascot this afternoon.

In these circumstances That is a sporting bet to win the Berkeley Handicap, even though he is burdened with top weight for the day's most valuable race.

It may seem unusual that a horse who has won only one race heads the weights, but when he did score last season, he did so in style by ten lengths at Newcastle. And it was soft underfoot that day.

Later in the season, Toab acquitted himself really well in the Ayr Gold Cup, finishing

This year, Toab's best performance was at Sandown in July when the ground was

RICHARD EVANS: 2.00 Inchinor, 2.30 Royal Seaton. 4.15 SHE'S PLEASED (nap).

Private Handicapper's top rating; 2.00 INCHINOR.

3.05 King's Signet. 4.40 Criquette.

1.30 SHADWELL ESTATES HANDICAP

.00 personnel selection stakes

2.30 CHEVELEY PARK STUD HANDICAP (3-Y-0, £9,474: 1m 2f) (12 rusners)

(Private sweepstakes: 1m 2f) (7 runners)

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.00 EMPEROR JONES (nap).

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SETTING: 9-2 Belly State: 11-2 Milding, 13-2 Great Gold, 7-1 Valley Of Fire, 8-1 Belle Inlia, 18-1 Righ Minerar, Reyal Scaleo, 12-1 Alycela, 14-1 offers

1991: VERKON VENTURE 3-7-7 A Maskey (5-1) M Temples 14 ass

FORM FOCUS

MARZIG 41 4th of 7 to Last Embrace in Newbury (1m At, good) handrap with GREEK GOLD (1b worse oil hreshed stime) 94:1 6th. VALLEY OF FIRE heat handrap with BROLLER (6th better oil) handrap with MAJOR BUGLER (6th better oil) tandrap with MAJOR BUGLER (6th better oil) tandrap with MAJOR BUGLER (6th better oil) 17m 2t, good) mardian, FRIGARI completed double promoted 37x1 4th.

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COURSE SPECIALISTS

Long handlings: Ariny 10-4, Westedly 10-2 BETTING: 5-2 Romantia, 3-1 Dec De Bury, 9-2 Klaub. 5-1 Pajal, 8-1 Katayli, 10-1 Westedly.

(Graduation race: 2-Y-O colts & geldings: £11,550: 77) (6 runners)

MANDARIN

3.35 Incola 4.05 Jdaavel

1.30 Duc De Berry.

2.00 Emperor Jones. 2.30 Billy Blazer.

MICHAEL PHILLIPS

again soft. That day, he was beaten a head by Medaille D'Or in the Stars and Stripes Sprint, a listed race over today's distance.

Judged on that run, Miss Nosey Parker, who finished fifth, four-and-a-half lengths behind Tbab, should not beat my selection now.

regard King's Signet and Ashtina as being potentially more dangerous. The lightlyraced King's Signet, who is clearly on the upgrade, is an unknown quantity on this ground, but the bottom weight, Ashtina, will relish it.

THINDERER

1.30 Romansh.

2.30 Billy Blazer.

2.00 INCHINOR (nap).

3.05 King's Signet. 3.35 Much Sought After.

Tompkins took the day's honours by landing a treble. Now the Newmarket trainer may have to make do with winning only one race, the Cheveley Park Stud Stakes.

Tompkins won the corresponding race last year with Virkon Venture in spite of the fact that he was penalised for winning at Ayr the previous Saturday.

Now Billy Blazer has followed precisely the same route, picking up a penalty in the process when winning on the Scottish track six days ago. He showed there just how well he handles soft ground, following a good run at York.

Emperor Jones, who creat-ed such a favourable impression when beating the

Twelve months ago, Mark subsequent easy Thirsk win-ompkins took the day's hon-urs by landing a treble. Now lengths on his debut at Newmarket, is my idea of the likely winner of the Personnel Sclec-

My search for the day's best bet though has led to Haydock, where Googly, trained in Hampshire by Bill Wightman, is napped to win the Stanley Racing Handican in the care of Gary Bardwell, who knows her so well.

She was catching What Katy Did hand over fist at the end of a nine-furlong handicap at Newbury a week ago, having been previously beaten two lengths by Top Royal over today's longer trip at Goodwood. Now she can get her revenge on Top Royal on 5lb better terms.

3.05 BERKELEY HANDICAP (£17,090: 5g) (20 runners) ### (12) S02000 TENS 20 (R.S) (M Obesin) C British 49-10.
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404 (14) 260630 TERRHARS 18 (D.F.S) (H Bentonot) R Intures 49-5.
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405 (7) 110200 SEAL VERTISES 18 (D.F.S) (R Bentonot) R Intures 49-5.
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406 (9) 441-008 RESAL SCRITTLIA 7 (D.F.S) (Then Welchington (UR) Lidy B Making 39-3 A Magnes 17
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414 (17) 381228 BALISAV 22 (D.F.S.) (R Turnysoul) D Administr 7-8-7.
T Sprake 98
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D Biogra 95
416 (1) 211311 SHAMAR'S SON 50 (D.F.S.) (R Soldeno) J Prices 5-7-13.
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417 (10) 5506514 FASCIMATION WALLZ 13 (F.S.) (F Holmestell) D Stem 5-7-10.
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MASS MOSEY PARMER 2017 3nd of 18 for Tumber Bu in bandlege over course and delence (good) in uses with BODARD (Six worst off) 15th 5m and MESAL SCHTTILA (7th basier off) 57 10th, TERRA- HARS 57 10th of 22 to Locksong in Domesser (Six 40yd, poot) headlege with PLAIN FACT (same exist) 21 70th, SDME SAVASE (six worsh off) 47 9th and BESALV WENTIME (tilt worsh off) 22 21st. MEED MOLLAR band Gorish worsh off) 21 21st. AREEN MOLLAR band Gorish vorsh off) 18 18-sunner Opon (61, good) bandlege with DRIJM SERSEANT 4th beiter off) around 15sl 6th and BEALI VERL	TURE 21 Och. IONIO'S SIGNET heet Segments 1161 in 12-canner Yamoush (GL good) handicap. Store SAVAGE early beat Fey's Song 1164 in 6-canner Sandyam (SL, good) claimer. Earlier has Mischemanacus Girl short head in 14-canner handicap over that course and distance (good in soft) with OLLFAMTS-FONTEN (10th better off) around 21 Sth and PALEY PROVICE (18th bather off) 41 1161. FASCIBATON WALTS, beat Americans all 11-canner Lingibids (61, good to soft) handicap. Selection: FASCIBATIEN WALTZ.

3.35 EWAR STUD FARMS STAKES FOR APPRENTICES (Handicap: £4,347: 1m 4f) (8 cunners) | Control Col. 24,047, 100 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 101 | 1

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im 21, good to soft handloop, MICCH SOUGH	erood (1 m 4f, good) handisa
FIER best recent effort when hosting Distra-	9th to Starp Dream in
tingtes 31 in 12-namer Ripon (1m 4f 60yd, good-to-	apprentice; handisap, MCZ
oit) handloop with SUSTBAETTA (Sto better off) 11	in 7-nemer Epson (1 m 4
nd.	Selection: SHEPINGA

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ı	635	(2)	A15950	HURSHIS 10 (D.E) (B Horse) M McCormack 8-5.	- 31
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	810	(2)	11.0	MAGIC STEPS 27 (F) (Miss M Catanglan-Shilts) C British 8-3	8
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1991: ABLE SUSAN 9-4 M HRDs (5-1) & Waggs 10 ran FORM FOCUS

Chapston (71, soft) states race. ARDISIA 294 last	(4th better off), 2561 7th, MAXTHAVL, G. Sti. to information in Neumaniet (1m 27, poor) bundlesp. COURSYNILE SELLE promoted after 347 2nd to Lausdry Wald in Newbody (71, pood) tamelicap with LADY DEBAN DARLEY 111 9th. Spinction: ARDISSA

4.40 KENSHIGTON PALACE STAKES on race: 2-Y-0 fillies: £10,507: 7f) (9 runners) | California Californi

FORM FOCUS

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GUSTAMA best Triggianno 364 in Sandonn (71, good) shiles seen on pennilismia sent with DAMONS SPRIT 101 8th. 1941 in Antisignam (70s, good) mindre. Heaville best Zenith This in 4-mones Sallabury (71, good) to sort) maiden. SOCIETY LADY 341 2nd Selection: SOCIETY LADY (non)

HEREFORD

2.10 Unholy Alliance. 2.40 Tigers Pet. 3.15 Dublin Indennity. 3.45 Glebe Prince. 4.20 Bellyanto. 4.55 The Black Monk.

2.10 Maamur. 2.40 Tigers Pet. 3.15 Viceroy Gem. 3.45 Nathan Blake. 4.20 Peak District. 4.55 Mine's An Ace.

GOING GOOD

2.10 YOWCHURCH NOVICES HURDLE (£1,302 2m 3t 110yd) (12 runners)

(£1.302 2m 3f 110yd) (12 runners)

1. 311 tianidly Alliance 14 (F) k Balley \$-12-0.

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3. 644 DARMBROOK 209 D Condidot 5-11-0.

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5 Prof. 6437 ANAN 1449 D Burder 5-11-0.

6 US2. OPAL S TERSPOT 350 J Bradley 5-11-0.

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7 URS PRINCE OF SALETRIO 144 N Gastele 5-11-0.

8 ALTSHARY 745 F D Graduotid 4-10-12.

9 BERTON'S PRINCE 27 B Jackes 4-10-12.

10 BERTON'S PRINCE 27 B Jackes 4-10-17.

11 S43. THANDO. 195 R Rept 4-10-12.

12 BERTON'S PRINCE 27 B Jackes 4-10-7.

13 BERTON'S PRINCE 27 B Jackes 4-10-7.

14 URBARY Albance 4-1 Botd Sweet Blocs. 6-1 Truffool, 7-1 Maarmat, 8-1 officts.

2.40 COTSWOLD HANDICAP CHASE

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3 555 RESEARE 157 (CD.G.S) C Broad 11-12-0

3 111 (Br-A-PORT 36) (F.G.S) P Robes 7-11-12

1 112 PA-PORT 36 (F.G.S) P Robes 7-11-12

3 5 Smith Scales

4 025 CORFI RAPER 134 (CD.F.S) Was H Pared 10-10-8

0 65 CORFI RAPER 134 (CD.F.S) Was H Rough 8-10-7

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7 0-34 JACS TRE REER 23 (8F F) 8 Sales 9-10-0

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5 Tagers Pet 3 1 Up-A Port 7 2 Mort Advator, 5-1 Court Raper, 6-1 others. (F) (R mS 369.12)

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRADERS M Pure 38 without from 112 numers, 33.9%. N Gascher, 5 tran 17. 19.4%. D forefreid, 11 from 39.26.7%. R Hoster, 13 hum 50.26.6% is 8 seet, 11 from 47.25.4%. D Strongs, 6 hum 33, 16.2%. D JOCKYS, P. Schotmerr, 21 surfers from 50 lides, 44.0%. D J Rockyts, 13 hush 41, 31.7%. S Smith Februs, 3 hum 12, 25.0%. R Durmaner, 16 from 81. 19.5%. G Reschart, 4 hum 22, 18.2%, A Tory, 4 hum 73, 17.4%. 3.15 ORCOP SELLING HURDLE | A.94: 271 17 | Children | P. Scatimon | P. 3-4 Debis Indumity, 11-4 Vaceory Gem, 9-2 Celeius, 6-1 Thir find Line, 7-1 Tubes Pride, 8-1 Unescurence, 10-1 others. 3.45 CRASWELL HOVICES CHASE £1,800; 3m 2f 110yd) (10)

3-4 Ellint-Ess, 3-1 Four Poors, 9-2 Glabo Prenza, 11-2 Lunggbursi, 6-1 Ellony lack, 10-1 others.

4.20 TYBERTON CONDITIONAL JUCKEYS HANDICAP HURDLE (\$1,492; 2m 31 110yd) (5) 1 30-1 BALLYANTO 16 (D.F.St ii Hobber 7-11-10 ... D. Mazzawes (3)
2 009- SELVER AGE 279 (5) J Basdey 5-11-3 ... M. A. Fizperald
3 491- RASHTHEEASH 123 (7) 6 Balley 5-11-3 ... A. Lu Jeene (3)
4 116- PACK DISTRICT 77 (5) K Balleyself 5-11-2 ... D Ballyaself
5 49-0 HIGH FINANCE 25F it Wanner 7-10-13 M. Houropen Ballyanto, 3-1 Peak District, Silver Age, 5-1 First@ucash, 8-1 High Faculto.

4.55 MICHAELCHURCH NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,302: 2m 1f) (9) | Company | Comp

7.2 Mare's An Ace 4-1 The Black Meak, 5-1 Key Dear, Sky Procured, 6-1 offers.

AROL LEONARD ment shared responsibility NW11.

Roger Marley, just back from a busman's holiday in France, faces a hectic schedule this weekend as he resumes domestic action at Carlisle.

The Malton-based free lance, seven winners short of a century in Britain, rode all summer for Joel Remy at Maisons-Laffitte, and Marley has been asked by the trainer to ride three horses at Auteuil

Busy weekend

for Marley

NATIONAL Hunt jockey

on Sunday.
"I was hoping to return on
Sunday morning because I've
got rides at Carlisle both
Saturday and Monday, but I'm having difficulty getting a flight," said Marley. "It's beginning to look as if I'll have to drive through the night to get there."

Marley has been asked by Remy to return next summer. but is looking forward to getting re-started in Britain. Dual purpose jockey Stephen Williams faces a fitness battle to keep the mount on Doulab's Image in the £50,000 Festival Handicap on

Ascot tomorrow. Williams has spent two nights in Worksop Hospital after being kicked by a loose horse on Jeremy Glover's

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Wheeler stresses need to tackle VAT rate

By RICHARD EVANS RACING CORRESPONDENT

TENS of thousands of jobs will go and the rural economy will be severely damaged unless the government tackles the VAT crisis facing the bloodstock industry, a leading Conservative MP has told the chancellor of the exchequer. Sir John Wheeler, who

chaired the home affairs select committee investiga-

tions into racing last year, has written to Norman Lamont recently pointing out in the starkest terms the damaging consequences of Britain's

MANDARIN

2.15 Etemal.

3.55 Taos.

5.00 Aughfad. 5.30 Beauman.

2.45 Miss Calculate.

3.20 GOOGLY (nap).

4.25 Monsieur Dupont.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT

(3-Y-0: £2,700: 1m 2f) (12 runners)

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TRAINERS

2.15 STAINLEY SPORTSLINE MAIDEN STAKES

#22,7UU: 11TH 21) (12 rummers)

CARROOD BOLD (Stubin Motument) J Busien 9-0.

DEARCH 34 (* Wing) B Hith 9-0.

3405 ICUNGON 62 (bits 8 Facebook R Hollissheed 9-0.

3-3242 UNFORGIVED 55 (Smith Mohammer) J Bostein 9-0.

3-3242 UNFORGIVED (BUILTE 23 (bits P Hemis) P Harris 8-0.

WELL DIRECTED BLAD (cohen) J Deatop 9-0.

4 ZAFARRANCHO 25 (Manquess de Monatals) Jimmy Rossmid 9-0.

US BARGA 9 (bits A Bustein) W Clay 8-9.

ETERNAL (K Abdobb) R Coerbon 8-9.

SE FILIZETTE 38 (bits Dange) Lord Handroom 8-9.

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WITH COME (Falsecks Stat Lie) L Courtel 8-9.

BETTING: 5-2 Lieboging Minch, 11-4 Carlino Gald, 4-1 Emmal, 6-1 Eigente, 8-1 Permins, 12-1 (Ongo., Wit Low, 16-1 offers)

1991; RED 95510P 9-0 A Cniz (8-1) J Gorden 11 rat

2.45 STANLEY CREDIT CLAIMING HANDICAP (£3,078; 6f) (23 noners)

2. 45 STANULEY CREDIT CLAIMEING HANDINGAP (£3,078; 6f) (23 runners)

1 (5) SESSOD LADY SABO 15 (D.F) (Creek Terruspining Racing) G Limes 2-9 10 NON-RUNNER —

2 (13) 14-800 WAN-SANO 28 (B.G) IA Morror) B HRS 34-9 — Pat Endery (5)
3 (3) GSOSD LANGLEDOC B (5) (Air P Winn) M Marghton 5-9-4 — S Wynne (7) 90
4 (11) 258-440 AMURELISE (125 (6) (7 Calchell) T Calchell 3-9-4 — C Dayer 88
5 (19) 403540 DOUGLE FEATURE 6 (V.D.F.S) (K Whiston) Mrs J Ferricols 3-9-3 — G Hind 97
6 (29) 215530 BALLAD DAMCES 15 ((6,63)) (in Gallany) E Nation 17-9-2 — B basto 96
7 (17) 215030 MESIC DAMCER 28 (D.F.S) (C STORE) (J.C.SANO 17-9-2 — B basto 96
8 (15) 90263 BLACK BOY 25 (8) (Claiment Management) J Bony 3-9-0 — G Carter 97
8 (15) 90263 BLACK BOY 25 (8) (Claiment Management) J Bony 3-9-0 — D Wisholks 95
9 (12) 51-930 TWINGHT PAULE B (D.F.S) (C STORE) (J.C.SANO 17-9-0 — N Compactor 57
10 (8) 4(0-22)5 MRSS CALCILLATE 18 (D) (Capt J Wilson) Capt J Wison 4 9-13 — J Winson 57
11 (22) 0-00032 (CSITUCKY NAMI 4 (D.F) (I) Included J Servity Respected 3-8-12 — K Failon 97
12 (1) 00-0004 (LC CHC 3 (7) 12 Wilson) D Desprine 5-9 — 9 B Rejected 97
13 (2) 664500 (LCRO LANGSON 15 () Include 3-8 — G Profis (7) 97
14 (10) 433513 ESRY 90268 IT (7 (8) E.D.S) (New Y Replace) Miss A Knight 3-8 — F North (7) 97
15 (21) 0-00040 ACL EARC 8 (8) (Ruper Court Racing) R Emisters 3-8 5 — Stephen Davies (5) Mr
16 (5) 200000 PERRY CROPS 307 (5 Sharp) Lord Handland 7-8 — Paul Endery 95
17 (000326 TROLMING 44 (8) (A (Ing) A Jones 5-1 — N Advers 30
18 (7) 0000 BAE PETTE 85 (Batter Pound Recing) A Jones 3-8 — N Advers 30
19 505040 DAMOY DESIRE B (Ms M Educate) B Morror 7-4 — S Sambtes (7) 94
10 0005-00 PREST RUSH 14 (D.E.S) (In Selected) Williams 5-7-7 — S Bentwell 95
10 (10) 50000-00 PREST RUSH 14 (D.E.S) (In Selected) Williams 6-7-7 — S Bentwell 95
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SETTING: 5-1 Stack Boy, 6-1 Miles Calculate, 7-1 Selled Direct, 8-1 Languidine, 9-1 Deutste Festure, 10-1 Northarby Rain, 12-1 (Start Vision, Sewager, 14-1 Le Chic, 16-1 others.

1991; YES 3-8-5 A Case (12-1) D Thom 24 mm

COURSE SPECIALISTS

bloodstock industry having to cope from 1992 with a 17.5 per cent VAT rate compared to 5.5 per cent in France and 2.7 per cent in Ireland.

Waving aside various solutions put forward to offset the glaring tax difference facing British breeders such as treating the horse as an agricultural animal distance selling and a flat rate farmers' scheme - Sir John said the next budget should include VAT changes which enabled the domestic bloodstock industry to compete "on a level playing field" with the Irish and French.

THUNDERER

2.15 Eternal. 2.45 Twilight Falls. 3.20 Top Royal.

4.25 Monsieur Dupont.

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F Hoton (3) 68

Pat Eddey ~

B Raymond 91

N Hours 87

5.00 We're All Game.

DRAW: 5F-6F HIGH NUMBERS BEST

"If we don't do that we are deliberately going to set out to destroy tens of thousands of jobs and the bloodstock industry in the country will have no future," he said.

The events of the past few days have shown the European Community to be a farce, with the Germans and the French, quite understandably, looking after their own interests." Sir John

"It is high time we put the vested interests of the British first. Ministers must get the clear message that there are no more excuses.

The excuse of the EC and all this other nonsense is no longer applicable since last Wednesday. The bubble has burst and we have seen it for

the sham it is." Sir John said he had written to Lamont independently because he did not have any vested interest in the racing

or bloodstock industry. ☐ Michael Watt is to retire as chairman of Tattersalls on his sixtieth birthday on April 15 next year and will be succeeded by Edmond Mahony, currently joint managing director of Tattersalls (Ire-land) Ltd.

3.20 STANLEY RACING HANDICAP (E3,540; 1m 3i 200yd) (15 runners) 1 (44 00-2835 COMSTOCK 6 (D.F.S) (Dain (Bloodstock) Ltd) N Triviter 59-10 D Nicholas 92 (7) 414114 BOLD ELECT 44 (BF.D.F.SS.) (Mis. 3.1. Wighton) P Wighton 4-9-7. Wi Wighton 91 (7) 414114 BOLD ELECT 44 (BF.D.F.SS.) (Mis. 3.1. Wighton) P Wighton 4-9-7. Wi Wighton 91 (7) 414114 BOLD ELECT 44 (BF.D.F.SS.) (Mis. 3.1. Wighton) P Wighton 4-9-7. Wi Wighton 91 (1) 414114 BOLD ELECT 44 (BF.D.F.SS.) (Mis. 3.1. Wighton) N Boltzmard 3 9-7. Wi Ryan 97 (1) 51 (1) 11

Long baseling Mornlight Shelf 7-2
BETTIMC: 5-1 Top Royal, 5-1 Cametack, 13-2 Stoogh, 7-1 El Nelo, 8-1 Long Stience, Sayle, 10-1 i Perceive, 12-1 Pennins Star, Diamond Wedning, 14-1 others.

1891: GOLDEN TORQUE 4-7-10 H Bastieton (11-1) R Basterien 16 can

3.55 stanley leisure organisation dream mile stakes (2-Y-0; £4,936; 1m 30yd) (3 rumers) SETTING: 6-4 Sharjah, 7-4 Taus, 2-1 Pateus Papters. 1991: CAPTAIN HORATRUS 3-1 J Williams (2-1) J Dunlop 4 nm

4.25 STANLEY SMOOKER MAIDEN STAKES (Div): 2-Y-0: 92,427: 1m 30yd) (10 runners)

1991: NYSTIC PARK 9-0 Pil Eddery (11-10 tar) R Charless 11 ran

5.00 STANLEY CLUBS HANDICAP (£3,552: 5f) (11 runners) | STANDARD | CLUBBO | INFORMATION | CLUBBO | CLU

Long handkag: Lint State 5-7. BETTING: 3-1 Palicen, 9-2 Breuzy Day, 5-1 Bordo, 6-1 Aughled, 7-1 We're All Game, 6-1 Index, 12-1 pibers. 1991: BORDO 4-7-11 N Kernedy (12-1) E Abbox 16 can

5.30 STANLEY SHOOKER MAIDEN STAKES (Div II: 2-Y-0: £2,427: 1m 30yd) (9 runners)

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ON AMALI MONABHIO (ABS 55 (Ars 8 Warring) Mes B Warring 9-0

ON AMAC BROGHT 14 (1 Bing) R Hollandhead 9-0

SO BEALMANN 14 (Mes B Processing) B Michighon 9-0

SECORS CARDWAL DOEWOOD 17 (8) (6 Achiens) M Britain 9-0

CAPL ACTION (1 Hauters) 1 Hurges 9-0

SAFETY IN NUMBERS (6 Wholdow) Mrs J Resembles 9-0

O WARRIE 15 (A M Managory) A Social 9-0

ALTONA GOLD (Mes H Ellenian) R Europhes 8-0 W Ryan SS
Sassiers (7) SS N Connection -Paul Esday 92 BETTING: 5-2 Arc Bright, 7-2 Waster, 4-1 Steamer, 6-1 Move Smartly, 6-1 Cardinal Dogomous, 10-1 others. 1991: NO CORRESPONDING DIVISION

30.6 25.0 25.0 27.7 27.3 20.8 MANDARIN

2.20 Texas Cowgirt. 2.50 Riviera Vista. 3.25 Grove Daffodil. 4.00 Retender. 4.30 Brilliant. 5.05 Cum-brian Challenge. 5.35 Norling. THUNDERER 2.20 Mighty Miss Magpie. 2.50 Boursin. 3.25 Runrig. 4.00 Shimmer. 4.30 Kelly's Kita, 5.05 South Sea. 5.35 Greenwich Challenge.

DRAW: 5F-1M, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

2.20 SCARBOROUGH SELLING STAKES (2-Y-0: £3,288: 61) (26 runners)

2.50 BRETISH GAS NORTHERN HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £3,210: 71) (12) 6 ID10 THEMMARI 7 (CDF) A Sout 7-13.
7 -100 AMAZINE FEXT 14 (E) bits 6 Remby 7-13.
8 5000 CENSTRIN LARE 9 (ED.) 9 6 Linds 7-11.
9 -151 CELSTRIE 18 (D.) 7-ES.) 1 Findes 7-7.
10 4500 SPEEDY CLASSIC 78 B Hills 7-7.
11 0-400 CRESTHADIO LAD 8 Miss Ghemby 7-7.
12 4000 MURASE 31 M Hangitan 7-7. 3-1 Thurston Cate, 4-1 Calestine, 11-2 Parison Vista, 6-1 10by 10bp, 3-1 others.

3.25 TATTERSALLS MAIDEN AUCTION SERIES STAKES (2-Y-0: £3,370: 7f) (19) 5-1 Grow Dafodi, 6-1 Serile Montel, 7-1 First Vally, 6-1 Russig, 10-1 Epson Doom, Binarue, 12-1 Sessimuse, Winst, 14-1 offers

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRANSERS: M Bull, 7 winners from 19 genome, 36,8%, L Comant, 21 from 60, 35,0%; M Thomson Jones, 22 from 72, 36,6%; A Scott, 4 from 14, 22,6%; W Cotes, 12 from 43, 27,9%.

JOCKYES, Mess: Benneum, 5 whomas from 10 miss, 50,0%; G Dud-wid, 21 from 165, 14,5%; A Clott, 6 fours 42, 14,3%; M Brest, 27 from 217, 12,4%; J Formate, 10 from 82, 12,2%. 4.00 HARRY GEARY HANDICAP

4.30 WISSISSIPPI AMATEUR RIDERS RANDICAP

(22,931: 1m) (29)

1 122 SRILLIANT 23 (0.F.S) J Peace 4-11-7 hirs i. Peace 6
2 0600 SETALN WALL 13 (0.D.S) P Chaptel-Horn 4-11-5
1053 SETALN WALL 13 (0.D.S) J Berneth 3-10-11 (0.00)
11 MSRT TRANSACTION 10 (0.D.F.S) A Hide 5-10-10 (0.00)
11 MSRT TRANSACTION 10 (0.D.F.S) A Hide 5-10-10 (0.00)
11 MSR I Enterthy (5) 13
12 PATIENCE PLEASE 17 (0.F.) M H Exterby 3-10-7
13 SETAL SUPPLIES 13 (0.F.) J Berneth 3-10-2 Mines F Hoynes (5) 17
14 SETAL SUPPLIES 13 (0.F.) D Chaptern 4-10-1 Mines F Hoynes (5) 17
15 SETAL SUPPLIES 13 (0.D.F.) P Felicien 6-18-0 hirs F Hoynes (5) 17
16 SETAL SUPPLIES 17 (0.D.F.) P Felicien 6-18-0 hirs J Pelicen 18
17 CORD STATE SUPPLIES 17 (0.D.F.) D Mines 3-9-12 Mines J Pelicen 18
18 SETAL MODIN 7 (0.D.F.) D Mines 3-9-12 Mines J Pelicen 18
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Cheltenham trainer has four-timer

THE decision of Nigel Twiston-Davies to send his horses on the long trek from Cheltenham to Perth reaped huge dividends yesterday when he netted a magnificent four-timer. Emily's Star, Sweet Duke.

Grange Blake and Petosku combined to reward Twiston-Davies with a handsome 454l accumulator. Twiston-Davies also gained

a success here on Wednesday with Celtic Prince. Only Twist 'N' Scu — eighth in yesterday's bumper — failed to collect. "I've thoroughly enjoyed my first visit up here but I think, especially in the case of Petosku, he was fit while

several of the others weren't," Twiston-Davies said. Carl Llewellyn rode the trainer's first three winners and, coupled with his victory on Celtic Prince, holds a 100 per cent record at the Scottish track. Twiston-Davies's claiming jockey David Bridgwater was successful on Petosku.



Twiston-Davies: four



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Woosnam adapts to wind and rain with cool putting

FROM MEL WEBB IN KNOKKE, BELGIUM

ONLY 15 players beat par on a raw and blustery first day of the Piaget Open yesterday, and the best of the lot was the small and determined figure

lead with a 67, four under par. Woosnam, his mercurial putting stroke enjoying one of its better days, is a shot ahead of Jim Payne and Barry Lane, with a posse of five players a

The magnificent rolling links of Royal Zoute is a difficult enough test in ideal conditions. The wind and rain squalis that swept over the course yesterday made par an achievement and better a

Woosnam, starting from the 10th, had to begin with the more testing back nine, which is nearly 400 yards longer than the outward half, and he made a virtue of the fact by birdieing two of the three par-

Lambert

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Vancouver: Catriona Lam-

bert, of Scotland, kept her

patience to guide Great Britain and Ireland into first place

Espirito Santo Trophy at the

Marine Drive golf chub here (a

Special Correspondent writes).

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The Curtis Cup stalwart has

this season already won major

international tournaments in

the United States and Japan.

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under par 70.

world scene.

On the 531-yard 12th. played into the teeth of the stiff breeze, he drilled a low, windcheating three-iron to the front edge of the green, and calmly took two putts from 30 feet or so for his first birdie. He saved another shot on the 15th, hitting through the slight right-to-left dog-leg, then tak-ing a six-iron and a sand

wedge to eight feet. The putt disappeared and Woosnam had achieved a positive advan-tage from a slightly conservative approach; an object lesson in course management, if ever there was one.

He had played pretty well up to this point, but without much doubt his best shot of the day came on the short 3rd, his 12th. He hit his tee shot miles to the right off the tee and found himself in a dreadful lie 25 yards from the hole. A bogey loomed large at that moment, but he saved the situation with a marvellous

little lobbing sand-iron stroke

SCORES FROM KNOKKE

to four feet. It was downhill, he had no green to play with; it made the par putt a formality. Woosnam reckoned he could have played the chip out repeating the trick "You've got to call it lucky," he said with becoming modesty. Yes, sure the better they are, the luckier they get.

On a had day on the greens, Woosnam might have three-putted the 5th. But this was not a bad day on the greens, or anywhere else, and he made the 20-footer look easy.

The difficult 7th, with the top level of a double-tiered green and only five yards off the right edge, could cast a ball hit even a yard to the right of the flag off the putting surface. Woosnam's ball was down the slope and across it - 25 feet if

Woosnam quite reasonably fancies his chances if the remainder of the tournament is played in anything like these conditions. But not even he will be able to ignore the presence of Nick Faldo a couple of shots behind.

Faldo had three birdies and one bogey in his 69. "This course has got my interest level

He sounded menacingly skiing on one leg. Vivienne, 26, lost her right like a man with victory on his mind. And when the best leg just below the knee nine golfer in the world is in that years ago after a train accident. It would have devastated most sporting teenagers but left her determined to

Bennett completes drubbing for Scots

By PATRICIA DAVIES IN THE home internationals of 1961 at Portmarnock, Scotland won all ten singles against England, after halving the foursomes. Yesterday, needing a similar performance after losing all five foursomes, they sank to a defeat as soggy and depress-

Torrential rain, and its effect on the course and particiing as the weather. pants in this 31-nation world England eventually won 112-34 and go into today's final match against Wales team championship, led to rounds taking fully six hours to complete. But Lambert with 1's points, the same 2s Ireland, the defending chamstrictly maintained her selfdiscipline to finish with a twopions, who beat Wales 11-4. Scotland, who have one point, It gave her the lead in the could still win the title, if they individual positions and, beat Ireland and Wales beat

when added to the 75 brought Last night, however, the in by Joanne Morley, of Sale, lifted Great Britain and Iretartan mood was dreich land three strokes clear of (gloomy) in the extreme. The worst Scots nightmare — a gubbing (drubbing) by the Auld Enemy — had been Lambert's round contained three birdies and 14 pars. In

From the shelter of his umbrella, Peter McEvoy, the England captain, mockingly attributed victory to his masterly generalship. He had, after all, left Mathew Stanford, arguably his best player, out of the foursomes.Stanford, who lost both matches against treland on Wednesday, fared better against Dean Robertson, a fellow member of the Great Britain and Ireland Eishenhower Trophy team,

winning on the 15th. Warren Bennett, the British youths' champion, beat Stephen Gallacher, the Scottish champion, 3 and 1, to ensure

Ireland were barely trou-bled by Wales and the irre-pressible Raymond Burns, 18, from Banbridge, overwhelmed Craig Evans with six birdies in the afternoon. At the 7th, Evans realised it was unlikely to be his day when his drive hit his caddie. "I don't know much about the rules," Burns said, "but I think I've won the hole." He was right.

Won the hole." He was right.

RESULTS: Ireland 11, Wales 4 (treland names first): Foursomer. G McSumpsy and K Keemsy bit R Dreddle and B Dreddle, 3 and 2, G Murphy and R Burse helved with C Evens and C Resy, N Goulding and K Noten bit R Johnson and M Elic, 6 and 4; P Harring, on and J Farages hit H Roberts and C O'Carol, 3 and 2; L MacMarane and A Momow lost to G Houston and M Megan, 3 and 1, Singless Murphy bit Roberts, 3 and 2. McGimpsey lost to Dredge, 4 and 2; Burse bit Evens, 5 and 4; Keemey bit Johnson, 1 hole; Evens, 5 and 4; Keemey bit Johnson, 1 hole; Harrington bit Ress. 4 and 3; Monow lost to Ells, 1 hole; Goulding bit O'Carol, 3 and 2. Feresgan bit Houston, 1 hole; MacMemera naived with Matters; T Comdan bit Directaire, 3 and 2. Scotland 3%, England 11½ (Scotland

Comdan bt Dirisdale, 3 and 2.

Scotland 3th, England 11th (Scotland names Ital): Foursomes: Dirichterson and A Thornson lost to S Cage and C Edwards, 4 and 3; G Hey and D Krippatrick lost to W Bennett and M Pullan, I hole; S Dundes and S Gallacher lost to P Streeter and M McGave, 3 and 1; J Milligean and C Watson lost to I Gerbutt and R Hutt, 6 and 5, W Bryson and S Knowles lost to CWatsa and G Wibstenholme, 4 and 3. Singlest Dundes lost to Cage, 1 hole; Rubertson lost to M Stanton, 4 and 3. Singlest Dundes lost to Cage, 1 hole; Rubertson lost to M Stanton, 4 and 3; Knowles lost to Gebacher lost to Bernett, 3 and 1; R Russelt to Spenser, 4 and 3; Knowles lost to Gebauth, 1 hole; Watson lost to Hut, 4 and 2; Thornson halved with Wats; Elyson lost to Wibstenholme, 3 and 2.

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Burton said.

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Swansea, there is the potential to earn in excess of £100,000,"

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Although Kingsholm can-

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extension to their stand.

"Some games catch the imagi-

nation and offer additional

corporate hospitality opportu-nities," Burton said. "It is big

business now and dubs are

such that Ireland, where rug-

by ranks beside hurling and

association football, has expe-

rienced substantial crowds for

All Ireland league matches.

However, an average league

gate in Scotland would be

around 1,500, with a potential

earning power far removed

from that of Stradey Park

Yet that game is an indica-

tion of rugby's power to generate substantial sums at club

level and the onus on those

responsible for such sums.

inmorrow.

The profile of the game is

part of a team of four leading disabled water-skiers. WATCHING Vivienne Or-Apart from being a subchard roaring effortlessly around the lake, skimming

stantial feat of endurance, the seven-hour trip from Fort includes the 22 miles of Loch Ness, is designed to raise money for disabled waterskiing and help put this fastgrowing sport on the map. It is a unique venture

because although water-skiing is banned on the canal, British Waterways has waived the normal speed limit for the attempt. Vivienne and her team-

mates - Charlotte McKenna. 17. who was paralysed when she was knocked down by a car at the age of four. Chris Ingham, 36, from Leicester, who lost a leg and suffered a paralysed arm in a road accident; and Debbie

Cummings. 26, who was born without a left hand have been training hard at Heron Lake, the national centre for disabled waterskiing, near Heathrow.

Skimming the surface: Orchard practises before her attempt to a fulfil a lifetime ambition by skiing along the Caledonian Canal

Extracting the maximum thrill from life

Stamina is a vital factor and Vivienne has been combining six training sessions a week, often skiing non-stop for up to an hour, with her organiser at Earls Court. She admitted that losing her leg has made her even more determined to extract the

maximum from life. "It was a stupid accident," she said. "I was running for a moving train just before Christmas but, as I tried to jump on, I slipped down between the train and the platform and felt the train bashing against my back.

"Afterwards, I was con-

scious and thought I'd es-caped unscathed — until I looked down and saw my leg really mangled where the train had gone over it. They tried to save it but had to amputate three weeks later. "I was always determined

that nothing was going to beat me, though, and decided to specialise in water-skiing because I knew I could improve at that," she said. Six months after the accident, mum took me down to Heron Lake and I had a go on a triple bar with someone either side to help me up.

"I've had a lot of coaching from the world champion, Debbie Simms, who's also an amputee, so that gave me a lot of encouragement. The first time I stood up from scratch, it was a brilliant feeling of achievement."

leagues have no idea of the reason for her slight limp. It was only when she had been offered her present job, after a searching interview, that she told her employers: "By the way. I've only got one

She still suffers pain when cysts form near her artificial leg but sees water-skiing as a potent escape route from stress or frustration. "The sport is such a challenge that if I've had a had day at work or my leg's aching a few minutes out on the water. makes me feel human again.

"I can't wait to do the Caledonian Canal. It's been a real buzz training for it but, also, the sport has given me so much fun and friendship and confidence that I'd love to give something back."

SQUASH RACKETS

Spaniard dazzles Marshall

FROM COLIN MCQUILLAN IN JOHANNESBURG

PETER Marshall's world championship dream turned to a nightmare here vesterday as Austin Adarraga, of Spain, produced a magical performance to beat him in their quarter-final of the World Open championship.

BY SALLY JONES

across the wake of the speed-

boat and slaloming in and

out of the row of buoys, she

water-skier. It is only when

you look closely at the slight

igure that you realise she is

live as normal a life as

possible and to continue the

water-skiing she loved. On Monday, she fulfils a long-held ambition when she

attempts to ski the 70 miles of the Caledonian Canal as

Marshall, the British champion, who fulfilled a boyhood ambition by driving the mighty Jahangir Khan into injured exhaustion in the second round, started stiffly against the mercurial Brispeared to regain the initiative in the third and fourth games, then fell to a series of daring strokes. Adarraga won 15-13, 15-12, 9-15, 10-15, 15-10 in 89 minutes.

"I was a bit disturbed to find myself on court in the early afternoon, when I had finished the march against Jahangir only at 9.30 the evening before." Marshall said. "It is in ISPA that we between matches."

The 21-year-old from Kegworth, Leicestershire, was struck on the left calf by a fullstrength Adarraga drive from the back court. This gave the Spaniard a penalty stroke as Marshall was fighting back from 5-10 in the fifth game. "I was at 10-11 when it happened," Marshall said.

"Apart from the pain, which gave me a sort of dead leg, it gave Austin another point at a vital stage." Adarraga, who has provided the best strokeplay of the

tournament, is the first quali-

fying semi-finalist in the World Open since Chris Dittmar, at Toulouse in 1986. Adarraga was out of the game for much of the previous two seasons, first with a fractured skull from a motoring accident, and then due to disciplinary bans. He learned his skills at the Australian Institute of Squash while his family lived in Brisbane and yesterday he unveiled the full

range of them.

At 2-5 in the fourth game he played an extraordinary backhand drop shot between his legs straight into the top left-hand nick, and at 6-10 a forehand boast from which the ball actually squeaked as it hit the top right nick. For match ball he contrived a backhand drop across the face of the front wall straight into the right nick. "I had to do something special," he said. "I have not been doing too much fitness work this year."

☐ Chris Walker, the England No. 2, was attacked by a bouncer in a Johannesburg nightclub and briefly held at gunpoint after having a drink with friends on Wednesday. "It was completely unpro-voked," Walker said. "We

were just leaving when these bouncers launched themselves at us with fists and feet." Walker and a friend were beaten about the head and

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SNOOKER

Foulds hurries his way into last four

BY PHIL YATES

NEAL Foulds, the world No. 5, coolly exploited his opponent's lack of confidence to trounce Mike Hallett, the defending champion, 6-1 in the quarter-finals of the Regal Scottish Masters at Mother-

well Civic Centre yesterday. Twelve months ago Hallett proved too strong for both Stephen Hendry and Steve Davis during a success which he repeated the following week at the Humo Belgian Masters. Since then recurrent cue problems and a general loss of form have caused by far the worst slump of his 13-year

professional career. No doubt sensing Hallett's vulnerability. Foulds was, in contrast, completely relaxed

from the outset. A fluently compiled 136 total clearance from Foulds in the opening frame was followed by further breaks of 65, 72 and 64 during a match in

which the eventual result al-

inevitability. Hallett, who surrendered his place in the top 16 last premature ranking event exits. said: "Neal must have known

I was on a downer, I came here with no aspirations of doing well. I'm getting down over the shot not knowing what's going to happen."
While Hallett's productivity curve has dipped sharply. Foulds, who has made a

conscious decision to speed up his game, is beginning to look capable of challenging for leading titles again. He will meet Junny White or James Wattana in the semi-final tomorrow.

In the remaining firstround match. Gary Wilkinson gained a routine 5-3 win over Terry Griffiths, the former world champion.
RESULTS: First round: G Wildneon (End)
bt T Griffiths (Wales), 5-3. Ouenter-limit: N
Foulds (Eng) bt M Hellett (Eng), 6-1.

RUGBY UNION: WELSH CLUB GAME KEEPS ONE STEP AHEAD OF THE RECESSION AND CONTINUES TO THRIVE AT THE TOP END OF THE MARKET

Llanelli bank on big windfall

BY DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

WHEN Llanelli meet Swansea in the Heineken League at Stradey Park tomorrow, it represents not only the meeting of cup-holders and league champions but also a financial undertaking remarkable in these recession-hit days.

Club officials are understandably chary of talk of a E100,000 turnover but that such a figure should even be contemplated is testimony to rugby union's drawing power at the top end of the dub

Llanelli anticipate a capacity attendance of 14,000, after three matches in which they and Swansea have swept all before them with a brand of rugby that has caused Phil May to describe the present Llanelli squad as the best he has known in 19 years at

May, not only an outstanding lock, is also the Llanellicommercial manager at a time when the town has lost virtually all its heavy industry and is only gradually recovering

some economic well-being. Yet you do not have to be a wizard with figures to work out roughly what the match may be worth tomorrow.

We are reaping the benefits of the way we are playing," May said. "Lianelli is not only the town's club but the club of Dyfed and we get support from all over, even from as far away as Cornwall.

"We are getting a number of strategic reviews looked at in the implementation of our tenyear plan. We have to look ahead, we can't stagnate."

The language of the business world increasingly pervades rugby union and Mike Burton, commercial adviser to Gloucester, understands bet-

May: looking ahead

Injury rules Guscott out for Bath

JEREMY Guscott, the England centre, will miss Bath's league match with London Irish tomorrow. Guscott is troubled by an ankle injury and will be replaced by lestyn Lewis.

Bristol have registered another player from South Africa, Jamie Lamont, hard on the heels of Francois DuPreez, who had to return home this month on the insistence of the Home Office. Lamont is also a stand-off half. but holds a British passport.

Harlequins welcome back their captain, Peter Winterbottom, who has recovered from a hernia operation, against Wasps tomorrow. Another international forward, Neil Edwards, the Scotland lock, replaces Alex Snow and Smart Thresher fills in for David Pears, who has a

broken jaw, at full back.

Martin Strett, the leading scorer for Orrell in the league last season, is relegated to the replacements bench for the game against London Scot-tish. Gerry Ainscough, who has returned from Leicester, is preferred at stand-off half.

Scarlets cut defences to ribbons Gerald Davies examines the electrifying start

LLANELLI have won their first three matches of the scored 176 points. They visited Pontypool, a place notoriously lacking in generosity when points are in question, and took all 44. Then, at Stradey, they faced Bridgend against whom they lost twice the previous season, and bagged 53 points.

And, as if giving these opponents some cause to celebrate, Llanelli travelled then to Rodney Parade, another place where scores are hard to come by, and gave Newport a trouncing by 79 points.

Tomorrow, they play Swan-sea, last season's champions. With 125 points to their credit they are also another buccaneering team who do not allow their style to be shackled by the supposed limitations of

Llanelli's start is extraordinary. From the moment Wayne Proctor scored their opening try in the first minute against Pontypool, Llanelli began their assault on the championship as if there were no base camps to ponder only the summit to negotiate. They have given scant consideration to potential hazards, impatient to get on. More to the point,

to the season by an inspired Llanelli team which has made them the talk of Welsh rugby

changes.

they have played such rugby as only those prone to wishful thinking can ever have imagined. It has been fluent, fast and free. They have scored 26 tries. Icuan Evans on the wing has scored five. Colin Stephens four. The others are evenly distributed.

Any team which prefers a 20-minute settling in period. as they often do nowadays, would find that pursuing such a policy invites ruin. By that stage, Uanelli have placed themselves beyond recall. They hardly look like a team who yearn for training sessions composed of a hundred scrummaging practices. The scrummage remains impor-

tant, except there are fewer of Which raises the question as to how much of this swank and flourish has been influenced by the changes in the laws, particularly the one appertaining to the maul and ruck and about which there is so much lather? But who is to

say that Llanelli this year

might not have played in this fashion regardless of the

Let us look at the certainties first. Gareth Jenkins and his assistant Alan Lewis have clearly set their sights on winning the championship. Whereas they have reached the Challenge Cup final ten times and won eight, the championship title eludes

The first weekend of the inaugural year of the Heineken League they lost to Abertillery who are now in the second division. Llanelli, then, had a poor start. Last year, on the other hand, they had a good start but faltered in the middle. On both occasions they ended the season strongly and finished as runners-up. reputation of lacking the con-

To be lumbered with the sistency which league rugby requires is a notion their twocoaches will wish to jettison. They know that Neath and Swansea, the previous champions, lost only four matches

As for the experimental ruck it in Wales than elsewhere. On the evidence of the last three Saturdays, the modification in the law has only come into play on three occasions in each game, such has been the alacrity of all teams to allow the ball to emerge rather than remain statically inside the loose scrum.

These are early days yet. Days of dry autumn afternoons. It may be different when the weather changes. But for the time being, there is a new-found freedom in midfield. Since the ball is returned swifter to him and more often. the stand-off half becomes a runner in his own right once more, not solely the player who has been forced simply to make things happen for

others. Stephens has had a remarkable start. His 39 points last Saturday is the highest individual contribution in any Heineken League match, Neil Boobyer, a polished player, and Nigel Davies, have been given regular space in the centre. They have been influential. And Llanelli have encouraged it to happen.

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Norway organise confidence trick

NORWAY have proved, in their World Cup qualifying defeat of Holland, that it is better, in football's recessionary era, to have an average team being effective than a gifted team being average. Norway are now to be feared for an excess of the ordinary.

Theirs was an astonishing performance on Wednesday night, and the 2-1 victory was no fluke. They are a definitively functional team at international level. Yet while we can celebrate with this minor football nation their climb towards a first place in the final stages of a tourna-ment, it is depressing that they should provide for Gra-ham Taylor an exact example of the way he wishes once mighty England now to play.

At the heart of Norway's improvement is a slim, greying, middle aged former winger. Egil Olsen. To the supporters on the terraces. who are even taking bank loans to be at Wembley in three weeks' time, Olsen is

GREAT Britain were given a

kind draw yesterday for their

Davis Cup tie against India in

Delhi starting today. The draw pitted the Britain No. 1,

Jeremy Bates, against India's

No. 2in the first match of the

world group qualifying tie. Bates, 30, who reached the

fourth round at Wimbledon

this year, is expected to win

against Leander Paes in the

kinder," India's non-playing captain, Naresh Kumar, said

after the Indian prime minis-

ter. P. V. Narasimha Rao.

feature in a battle for a berth in

the Davis Cup final when the

United States and Sweden

meet in a semi-final this

what the captain, Tom

Gorman, calls his "American

dream team" as they try to

return to the final for the third

successive year, with a strong

chance of recovering the cup

after last year's surprise defeat

The squad comprises the

The United States will field

weekend.

by France.

The draw could have been

first singles match today.

known as Drillo, the nearest translation of which is trickster, going back to his days as an old fashioned dribbler whose feint could persuade opponents to step out of his

coach internationally, with one season in 20 years in the. Norwegian first division and dismissed eight years ago as national under-21 coach by the federation for his defensive policies, Olsen is perhaps one of the few who may come to be considered generally the great manager: one who creates a team that is more than the sum of its parts. Many of the so-called great

managers were either fortunate to have the advantage of exceptional players, who create a great team independently, or they had a fat cheque book. The English premier division is over-loaded with managers squan-dering money and producing

Kind draw for Davis Cup tennis tie

Bates handed ideal

chance to give

Britain flying start

India's leading player, Ramesh Krishnan, will take

on Mark Petchey, 22, in the

second singles on the Delhi

Lawn Tennis Association's

The hosts had been hoping

Krishnan, 31, would play the

first match, win, lessen the

pressure on the 19-year-old

Paes and get a much needed breather before tomorrow's

fought off a nagging back injury just in time for the tie,

now has his work cut out over

the next three days. He has the

job of nursing Paes and being

But the touch artist, who

crucial doubles.

US field strong hand

Minneapolis: The holders of Agassi, the Australian and

fast and bouncy grass courts.

David Miller examines the secrets behind the

success of Egil Olsen, the Norway manager.

who plotted the unexpected defeat of Holland

The better coaches are either innovators, such as Arthur Rowe, or those building bricks without straw. Alan Ashman, with Carlisle, Jimmy Sirrell, Alf Ramsey with Ipswich in the second

Most neutral observers were agreed at half-time on Wednesday night that Hol-land, level at 1-1, would in the second half win by a goal or two. Though much in their own half of the field, they were dominating long phases of play by their control of the ball. Norway's victory was a tribute to Olsen, to his organisation and to his players execution of it: something substantially superior to the haphazard qualifying victory over England here 11 years

Then, Norway lost the away game at Wembley 4-0 (while Olsen's youth side was drawing 0-0 at home and losing 3-0 at Southampton). Now, they beat Holland with the same kind of application that overcame Italy by 2-1 at home in the European qualifying tournament and gained a 1-1 draw in Genoa, when they led until six minutes

Olsen's revolution of Norway's football, with a 10-6-4 record so far over two years, is no accident. His achieve ment this week, with the crowd staying behind afterwards to chant its acclaim, brought him a princely £2,000 bonus. Pre-tax.

"passing on" attackers as they switch position, never mind whether it is somebody "It's simple, really," Olsen as dangerous as van Basten. said yesterday, unaffectedly, The key to their function is amid the glow of the morning the pressure applied to the

headlines. "Holland were opponent in possession by the midfield five in either a 3better with the ball, but we were deverer without it." His 5-2 or 4-5-1 formation. "We have not the same capacity in attack," Olsen half-time was to let Holland continue to play in their own half of the field. "That way," he explained, "I knew that, said: "Therefore we have to

run, and to move the ball forward very quickly to our front men, Jakobsen and Sorloth, attacking the spaces behind the opposition's defence. We never create chances from a lot of passes, but from set-pieces or from the opposition's breakdown." He is sorry, he says, that Norway are not good-enough to play better football. "It has been," he says modestly. "a

big debate nationally."

Though dismissed by the federation in 1984, he was brought back as Olympic coach in 1989, then appointed national manager on the recommendation of the then incumbant, Ingvar Stadheim. Now, he has taught Norway's players to do no more than

what they can do. He is giving a lesson to all lesser

MPs want say in distribution of lottery proceeds

SPORTS POLITICS

By JOHN GOODBODY

A LARGE majority of MPs across all parties support the introduction of the national lottery, an independent survey reported yesterday. However, most MPs are anxious that they have a say in the distribu-tion of its proceeds, which are forecast to provide up to £1 billion for sport, the arts and the environment by 1999, five years after its scheduled start. Charles Barker, the public

relations company, found that 82 per cent of the 60 MPs questioned were in favour of the lottery, which was announced by the government in a pre-election white paper on

Mellor as Secretary of State at the national heritage department will be responsible for steering the bill through parliament, and officials are now interviewing organisations about their proposals.

The lottery was described last March by Kenneth Baker, then home secretary, as "a development of great signifi-cance. It provides a unique opportunity to improve, in a

lasting way, the quality of life". In the report, A chance to prosper? Options for a national lottery, 95 per cent of MPs said that sport and the arts should benefit from the lottery's profits, with 64 per cent supporting heritage projects and museums. How-ever, 82 per cent of MPs rejected proposals for the lottery to be used as a substitute for existing non-discretionary government expenditure, such as the National Health Service, education and social

The survey said that only 36 per cent of MPs want an independent board to decide on the distribution of profits. Sixty per cent want this to be a parliamentary function, with four per cent saying that the task was best left to private

One reason that the govern-

ment decided to set up a national lottery was because of fears that British puniers would begin betting on foreign lotteries, which are now focusing on the UK market. Britain and Albania are the only countries in Europe which do not have national lotteries. In France, lotteries generate annual sales of almost £2 billion, in Germany £2.5 billion, in Belgium nearly £3 billion, in Austria £3.5 billion, and in Spain more than £5 billion.

Joe McCrea, the report's author, said that "it is impossible to say what effect the lottery will have on either betting turnover or charitable incomes. The national lottery, in a British context, is uncharted waters for both the govern-

ment and the general public". The football pools companies have repeatedly claimed that the introduction of the lottery will cut their income, so reducing the taxation to the treasury, and possibly lead to redundancies among their 6,000 full-time and 72,000 part-time employ-

ces, many of whom live in areas of high unemployment. Football also receives £40 million a year from poolsrelated sources: £20 million for ground improvements from the 1990 reduction in the pools betting levy, £12 million from the spot-the-ball donations, and £8 million for the use of fixtures on pools

The companies have also set up the Foundation for Sport and the Arts, which is now distributing nearly £70 million

McCrea concluded: "It may government would wish to provide for the maximum amount of flexibility to be built into the lottery structure to enable fine-tuning to be applied as experience is gained of the effect of the lottery, once up and running."

BOWLS

Sussex rules the fours

THREE teams from Sussex Sam Burriss, and Worthing, finals of the Woolwich Worthing open tournament fours at Beach House Park (Gordon Allan writes).

Fleming Park, from Eastleigh, take on Popesmead, of Crawley, and a composite Brighton rink play Worthing

Pavilion. Fleming Park, who were skipped by Mike Spreadbury, defeated Adam Tidby's powerful Dorset combination 22-17

The closest match was be-

tween Popesmead, skipped by

vesterday.

Barry Evans led his Brighton four to success over Wally Hayward, the winning skip last year, and George Hide's Worthing Pavilion eventually proved too accurate for a Lindfield-Lewes four skipped

last three ends.

Paterson, with Popesmead

trailing for a long time before

getting home 22-19 over the

by Brian Clarke.

RESULTS: Fours: Fourth round (skeps only), A Tidby bt N Jones, 28-2, S Burnss bt J West, 20-12, B Clarke bt P Lundy, 21-19 Section finals: M Spreadbury bt Tidby, 22-17, Burnes bt D Palerson, 22-19, B Evens bt W Hayward, 25-22; G Hide bt Clarke, 22-12

YACHTING

Fleet rues lack of excitement

TWO hurricane systems mov-ing across the Atlantic are likely to present the ten British Steel crews with their only heavy weather during the first stage of the round the world race, to Rio de Janeiro. starting from the Solent tomorrow (Barry Pickthall

This was the only excitement Richard Ebling, from the Southampton weather centre, could promise skippers vesterday. "We will be really lucky if it is more than Force 3 or 4." he said. That may be good news for the thousands of spectators in the Solent area, but the prospect of light variable winds for their first week at sea did not impress the 140 crew members eager to hoist sail and head south.

Even the two hurricanes. Bonnie and Charlie, have been relegated to the status of propical storms, and are likely 10 have weakened further by the time the fleet gets down into the Trades.

As the last stores were being loaded in Ocean Village yesterday, an opportunistic call from John Haynes, a barrister from Hong Kong, won him a place aboard Rhone Poulenc for the first leg.

"I saw pictures of the fleet sailing through Tower Bridge two weeks ago and rang from Heathrow airport on my way home to see if there were any late drop-outs." Haynes, 50. said yesterday. A last-minute vacancy brought him back to England on the first available up, Pete Sampras, and John McEnroe. The US Open champion and world No. 1, Stefan

Courier, the US Open runner-

Edberg, anchors a Swedish team trying to recapture its glorious days of the 1980s when it reached seven consecutive finals from 1983.

McEnroe will partner Sampras in the doubles and Agassi, the world No. 6, and Courier, the world No. 2, play singles on the purpose-built Wimbledon champion, Andre indoor red clay court (Reuter).

against Bates and Neil Broad and plays Bates in the first reverse singles on Sunday — a daunting task for somebody not at his peak.

"It would have been better had Ramesh played the first singles," Kumar said. "But he is in good shape and has no problems at all. He is quite relaxed and quite happy."

India, who reached the Cup

final in 1987 when Krishnan was at his peak, are trying to fight back into the world group of 16 countries after being relegated to the zonal groups in 1988. "It means a lot for us to get back into the world group," Kumar said. His British counterpart,

Tony Pickard, better known as Stefan Edberg's coach, is looking to Bates to repeat the form where he was denied a quarter-final match against John McEnroe after losing in five sets to Guy Forget, of France. He beat McEnroe in Wash-

ington two weeks later. "The win against McEnroe showed there is a talent in Jeremy that he can reproduce." Pickard said. The young men that are here with me are the very best available. I am expecting them to give me 110 per cent." India have played Britain twice, in the 1950's, losing 3-



with our style, they would be

less likely to make scoring

Taylor, who acknowledged

the degree of Norway's per-

formance, is justified with functional tactics in the ab-

sence of gifted English players. His error, in my opinion.

is to keep changing the

system and personnel. Nor-

way, under Olsen, know ex-actly bow they are going to play, built entirely around defensive organisation.

three, and sometimes four,

zonal markers at the back,

This consists of using

chances at our end."

Great Britain expects: Bates under pressure to reproduce Wimbledon form

2 both times.

Souness recalls Grobbelaar

Liverpool drop their £1 million goalkeeper

By Ian Ross and Peter Ball

GRAEME Souness, the Liverpool manager, announced yesterday that Bruce Grobbelaar will replace David James in goal for the Premier League game against Wimbledon at Anfield tomorrow. His decision follows the emharrassing 4-4 draw against Chesterfield, of the third diviwithout at least seven players who would be in contention for first team places but for sion, in the Coca Cola Cup on Tuesday. James, an England under-

21 international who was signed from Watford for £1.2 million during the summer, has played in all 11 of Liverpool's senior fixtures this season, conceding 20 goals and failing to keep one clean sheet.

"David was at fault for one of the goals in midweek," Souness said. "I am bringing Bruce back into the team in the hope that his influence will spread to those around him. His experience could be very valuable to us at the moment." Although Piechnik, the Danish international centre back who was recently signed from FC Copenhagen, will almost certainly return after missing the midweek game because of international commitments, Sources still expects to be

Although Liverpool's inconsistent start to the season - the poorest in more than 30 years was discussed at a meeting of the board of directors yesterday, Souness's position is not thought to be in

The bookmakers, however. have made Kevin Keegan favourite to succeed him, although Keegan yesterday declared himself a non-runner. "I think it is absolutely disgraceful that they should start a book on a job which isn't even vacant," Keegan said. But I am not interested. I said when I came to Newcastle that this is the only club for me, and that when I walk away from here it will be back to my stud farm. That still stands."

Since his arrival in February, Keegan's impact on Newcastle has been astonishing. With maximum points from their first seven games, their start to the season has been in stark contrast to Liverpool's. Keegan has always insisted

that Newcastle have the capacity to match Liverpool or Manchester United and on recent performance and attendances they are on course to fulfil such lofty ambitions. Newcastle supporters are already convinced that Keegan will leave, but only for the England job when it becomes available.

Everton's tale of woe continues

CAROL LEONARD ment shared responsibility NW11.

MATTHEW Jackson, Everton's England under-21 full back, could be ruled out for up to five weeks after damaging ankle ligaments in the 1-0 Coca-Cola Cup defeat against Rotherham United at Millmoor on Wednesday.

With Peter Beardsley and Mark Ward already absent because of serious injury. Everton are likely to field a severely depleted side for the Premier League match against Leeds United at Elland Road tomorrow.

Mel Sterland, the Leeds defender, has entered hospital for an exploratory ankle operation. Sterland, 30, has not played since March.

Free-spending Derby County yesterday signed Richard Goulooze, the Dutch midfield player, for £100.000. Goulooze, 24, a former Ajax player, joined Derby from Heerenveen, the Dutch second division club, after a three-week trial.

Laurent Blanc, whom Nottingham Forest were keen to sign, yesterday completed a transfer from Napoli, of Italy. to Nimes, the French first division club, on a year's loan.

Arsene Wenger, the Monaco manager, has been susnended for two matches by Uefa. Wenger was sent off during Monaco's 1-0 Uefa Cup win over Legnica MKS. of Poland, on September 16.

Uganda, Mauritania and Sudan have withdrawn from the 1994 World Cup on economic grounds. Fifa said yesterday. They will not be replaced. Fifa also announced the

indefinite postponement of all Libya's matches in their qualifying group because of a United Nations embargo.

MBRIEF

Woman takes guard

Manon Rheaume, a 20-year-old Canadian, became the first woman to play in the National Hockey League when she took the goaltender's position for Tampa Bay Lightning in an exhibition ice hockey game against the St Louis Blues.

Rheaume, who last season became the first woman to play in the Canadian Major Junior Hockey League, faced nine shots in 20 minutes and stopped seven. "The goalie's job is to make the stop. It doesn't matter if you are a boy or the girl," she said.

Tony Esposito, a Lightning official, said: "With all the hype, it was very tough on her. She played very well."

New trainer

Tennis: Boris Becker said yesterday that Gunther Bresnik would begin officially as his trainer from Monday. Becker prepared for the US Open with the Austrian in August. Bresnik previously worked with Jacob Hlasek, of Switzerland. Becker may be unable to play in tomorrow's Davis Cup tie against Belgium because of a cramp ut his right thigh.

Whitworth doubt

Golf: Kathy Whitworth may not be able to captain the United States team in their defence of the Solheim Cup against Europe at Dalmahoy next week. Whitworth's mother is ill with cancer. Alice Miller, the vice-president of the American women's tour, may have to step in.

FOR THE RECORD

LIPTON CUP: Uruguay 0, Argentina 0 (Argentina win cup as away learn) INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Brazil 4, Costa

NTERNATIONAL MATCH: Braci 4, Costa Rica 2.
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COCA-COLA CUP, Second round, first leg: Blackpool 0, Pontsmouth 4, Brighton 1, Manchester United 1: Covertry 2, Scarborough 0; GiBngham 0, Southempton 0, Huddersfeld 1, Blackburm 1; Leicaster 2, Peterborough 0, Luton 2, Plymouth 2; Manchester Ciny 0, Bristol Rovers 0; Newcastle 0, Middlesbrough 0; Orderd United 1, Aston Villa 2; Queens Park Rangers 2, Grinnsby 1: Rotherham 1, Everion 0: Shefflett Wednesday 3, Hartle-pool 0: Southend 1, Derby 0; Stockport 2, Notingham Forest 3; Torquay 0, Swendon 6, Walsail 0, Chelsea 3: West Harn 0, Crewe 0

Skol Cup, Semi-final; Celtic 0, Aberdeen 1 OTHER MATCH: Lazio 3, Totlenham 0. WORLD CUP: Oualitying matches: Group 2: Norway 2, Holand 1 (in Oslo); Poland 1, Turkey 0 (in Poznan). Group 3: Urbuenie 0. Dermark 0 (in Vinus); Latvia 0, Spain 0 (in Riga) Group 4: Czechosłovakia 4, Faeroe Islands 0 (in Kosne).

ULSTER CUP: Final: Ards 0, Linfield 2 (a) The Oval, Belfast).

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NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: First division: Furthern 1, Southampton 1; Portsmouth 0, Arsenal 3 Second division: Exeter 1, Bristol Rovers 2, Swarsea 4, Chellenham 3, Yaoul 2, Plymouth 1 PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Sunderland 2, Norts County 2, Second division: Burnley 1, Mansfield 2, Eventon 1, Wigan 0; Huli 0, Port Vale 3; York 4, Presson 0

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Citheroe 3. Darwen 1, Gloszop NE 0, Selford 3.

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Criderford 2, Swindon Supermenne 1,
Crencester 0, Mitton 0; Fairlord 1,
Headington Ameteurs 2; Shortwood 2,
Wolfen Sports 3.
UEFA YOUTH INTERNATIONAL: Wales 0, BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Detroit Tigers 10, New York Yarkees 8, Baltimore Orloles 4, Toronto Blue Jays 1; Clevelland Indians 7, Boston Red Sox 3; Milweukee Brewers 3, California Angels 0; Chicago White Sox 17, Oakland Amelets 8; Seattle Manners 6, Karass City Royals 1; Tevas Rangers 6, Mirmesots Twins 3, New York Mets 3, St Louis Cardinals 2; Househout Asiros 7, San Diego Padres 6; Atlanta Braves 7, San Francisco Glants 0; Chicanata Reds 3, Loe Angeles Dodgers 0.

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E Braukink (PDM, Holf), 12 pts; 2, S Roche (Carrera, Ire), 10; 3, D Rayner (Buckler, GB), 10

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GREENHALLS LANCASHIRE CUP: Leigh 14, Oldhem 26; Selford 42, Workingson 20 JOHN SMITH'S YORKISHIRE CUP: Bradford Northern 8, Sheffield Eagles 17, Featherstone 18, Huddersheld 6; Wakefield 22, Keighley 16 SNOOKER

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New dimension to ball-tampering row

Surrey are found guilty and get a suspended fine

By Alan Lee, cricket correspondent

SURREY were fined £1,000 by the Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB) yesterday for repeatedly tampering with the ball. At a disciplinary hearing on Wednesday, attended by the club captain, Alec Stewart. the coach, Geoff Arnold, and the secretary. David Seward, Surrey admitted breaching Law 42 (5), governing unfair play, during a championship match against Leicestershire at The Oval last month.

On August 17, the last morning of the game, the ball was changed by the umpires, Barry Dudleston and John Holder, in accordance with Law 42. Their report to the TCCB was considered a matter for the disciplinary committee because Surrey had been warned in 1990 and 1991 for similar incidents.

The announcement by the board yesterday came less than 24 hours after Allan Lamb had been fined five times the Surrey penalty for commenting publicly on alleged Pakistani transgressions. The apparent imbalance in treatment between the culprits and the accuser will not pass unnoticed -especially as Surrey's fine has been suspended for two years as a good behaviour incentive.

It will also be thought significant that Wager Younis, Pakistan's brilliant swing bowler, is registered with Surrey. Wagar did not, of course, play in the relevant match this summer as he was

still with the touring team. But he did play against ham in 1990, and against Yorkshire, at Guildford last year, when the umpires concerned also reported their

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suspicions that the ball had been illegally mistreated. On the first occasion, when Surrey were led by the recently retired lan Greig, Wagar played no significant part. But in the Yorkshire game, when Stewart was acting captain, he took five for eight in a devastating spell with the old ball, Surrey winning by one wicket.

It emerged yesterday that the umpires in that game, Don Oslear and Bob White, had been so dissatisfied with the state of the ball while Surrey were fielding that they wanted to change it.

They did not do so because, apparently, the only replace-ment ball of an appropriate usage available was one they had viewed with some suspicion when officiating at Surrey's previous game on the which Waqar took seven for On Seward's express in-

DIE MATCHES

Gloucestershire 301 (Wager Younie 23-4-59-2 M P Bioloneli 24-4-53-4; Feltram 19.4-2-73-2; Greig 2-0-6-0; Madlycott 35-10-82-2; and 202-4 dec (Wager Younis 13-4-38-0; M P Bictinali 3-0-17-1; Mediyoot, 25.3-7-97-1; Feltham 6-1-17-0; Greig 10-2-27-2); Surray 200-5 and 302-9. Drawn.

Yorkshire 269 (Wager Youris 26-8-5 Murphy 28-6-66-2; Feithern 34.2-10 4: Thorpe 8-4-8-0; Mediyooti 24-5-8

August 14-17, 1982, The Ovel Leicestershire 216 (Benjamin 24-4-52-2; Murphy 11-2-33-0; Kendrick 28.5-10-61-6; M P Bicknell 21-2-63-2; Bolling 7-2-15-0) and 267-5 (Benjamin 17-0-67-1; Murphy 12-3-0-44-0; Kandrick 25-5-60-2; M P Bicknell 18-2-48-2; Boling 8-2-41-0; Surray 218 and 193; Lakasstandine won by 72 runs.

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structions, no Surrey official would comment on the issue esterday but there is sure to be considerable embarrassment within the club. Its committee contains some eminent former Test players and high-ranking administrators while Stewart, the captain, is regarded as virtually certain to take over from Graham Gooch as England's captain this time next year.

No blame is attached to any individual player by the TCCB, largely because the umpires found it impossible to identify those responsible. It was also not made clear just what had been done to the ball in each instance.

er, emphasised there is no fear that this first official penalty for ball-tampering will open the flood-gates. We do not consider this to be a serious problem in our domestic game. There is nothing which cannot be coped with through the co-operation of captains and the vigilance of umpires." I understand there are no

other cases of this nature in the board's pending tray and that Surrey remain the one county to be reported for the offence. Inevitably, they will be under intense scrutiny next year, when Wagar returns to their ranks, and the same is likely to apply to Lancashire, who will welcome back Wasim Akram.

Ken Lawrence, the TCCB spokesman, insisted yesterday: All eyes may be on Lancashire and Surrey but our umpires will be even-handed. tampering, however little of it there may be."

Fox given ban after drugs test

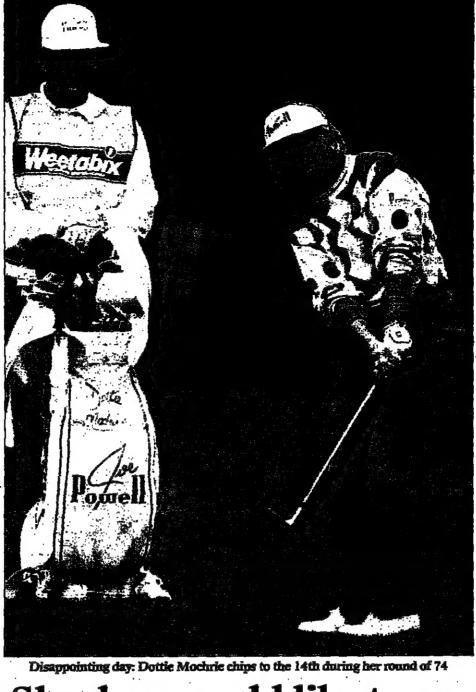
KEVIN Fox, the Neath flank-er, has been suspended after failing a drugs test earlier this

The former Wales Under-19 cap provided a urine sample that showed traces of the stimulant, ephedrine. He could face a three-month ban. Fox was tested after Neath's opening Heineken League match of the season at Ponty-

pridd on September 5, but Leighton Davies, the Neath coach, claimed that the 23year-old was innocent. "Kevin simply took a tablet for a heavy cold, a tablet bought by his mother over the

Davies yesterday. "He would not deliberately take a substance to enhance his performance and it was not premeditated. We shall be contacting the Welsh Rugby Union (WRU) to establish his

counter at a chemist," said



Sheehan would like to see **British Open on US Tour**

By MITCHELL PLATTS, GOLF CORRESPONDENT

PATTY Sheehan, of the United States, yesterday held court on and off the lairways at the Woburn Golf and Country Club. She launched her challenge for the Weetabix British Open with a first round of 68, five under par, and criticised the US LPGA for failing to wholly recognise an event which has been afforded

major championship status. Sheehan, the US Open champion, gathered nine birdies, with which she overshadowed her playing part-ners, Laura Davies (73) and Liselotte Neumann (69).

Then she revealed that she obtained a place in the event only as the lifth alternate, after the four American players

ahead of her withdrew." If that had not happened then I wouldn't have come here, as I would have been fined \$10,000 by the LPGA for playing without a release," she said. "I think it's a ridiculous

fine.
"I think, especially in view taking of the Solheim Cup taking place next week, that our commissioner should have made it possible for more members of the US team to play here at Woburn. In fact, I think the British Open should be a part of our schedule."

Incessant rain made conditions almost intolerable in the morning. Sheehan said that she played in such weather only once or twice each year,

(GB and Ireland unless stated)
LEADING FIRST ROLIND SCOPIES: 68: P
Sheehen (US), 69: L. Naumann (Swe), 70: E
Orley (Switz), C. Dibrish (Aus), J. Amold
(NZ) 71: C. Pigg Courier (US), V. Michaud
(Fr), F. Descampe (Bell, M. De Lorenzi (Pr),
72: A Nicholas, M. Busstorn (Swe), T. Ablibot
(Sp), P. Rizzo (US), K. Parker (US), K. Oturn
(Dari), 73: M. Hagaman (Picil), C. Nismark
(Swe), H. Wagissorih, L. Davies, S. Rule (US),
F. Dassu (R), K. Comelus (US), D. Reid, K.
Douglas, T. Johnson, P. Whyth, E.
Farquiharmon, 74: C. Savy (Aus), D. Nochrie
(US), H. Alfredsson (Swe), L. Wen Lin
(Isleen), A. Fulfushims (Isp), J. Posiener
(Swe), K. Marshat, L. Mills (US), J. Send (Aus),
C. Haimarsson (Swe), L. Hacterey, B. New, A.
Shappoott, L. Fairclough, 75: M. Marshall
(US), C. Duffy, D. Dovieng, K. Pearce, S.
Robinson, S. Gronberg (Swe), S. Struchwick,
J. Fornest, A. Dibos, (Pent), K. Davies, R.
Cometock (US), 78: K. Laškerr (US), R. Bell
(Aus), W. Dicts, H. Dobson, R. Hast, S.
Proseer, P. Gorzalez (Co), G. Stewen, D.
Petrizzi (US), 77: S. Eliott, P. Grice-Whitelers, R Costolo (US), R Leuterns, (Switz), S Varr Wak (SA), Julie Brown, S Waugh (Aus), N Hell (Aus), F Dunn, V Mervin, Jacquistes Brown, C Person-Lewis, S Menciburu (Frei), N Wey, S Wiresinger (US), 78: C Soules (Fr), K Lunn (Aus), M De Boor (Hol), J Hill (Zimb), J Forbes, J Geddes (US), 79: P Smille, L Maritz-Asians (SA), S Croce (ft), X Wamach Futz (So), J Germs (SA), J Croce (ft), X Wamach Futz (So), J Germs (SA), J Sentheomer (Con), J Soulary, 80: S Noder, E Dehilol (Swe), S Shapoot, A Jones (Aus), J Bertheomer (US), M Sentra (US), M Buro (Swe), N Hollowey, "A Brighouse," M Sutton, Knolersted (Swe), M Waller, H Koch (Swe), M Berthelot (Swe), S1: H Hoptiers (Aus), M Germer, S Gearrey (Aus), C Langford, B Van Strien (Hol), K Grago (Aus), T Yarwood, D Bernard, S Charmer (Con), S Ceramer (Con), S C Sentrey (19, S), S Se Burestord (US), A Englemen, S Bernsett, A O'Nell, 44: S Moon (US), K Nicholls, J Shestwood (Aus), 86: S Dunig. but she took it in her stride. "I knew it was not going to be a blistering round and that the key would be patience," she Sheehan teed off at the

10th. Her opening drive disappeared into the rough but she salvaged a birdle by hitting a third shot with a six-iron to one foot from the hole. She had two more birdies while playing her first nine in 38.

At the 1st, she played a lovely punched seven iron under a tree to 15 feet for a birdie. Then she hit another excellent shot at the 2nd, a punched eight-iron to ten feet below the hole. Sheehan dropped a shot at the next, but she coaxed four birdies out of the last six holes

Sheehan's compatriot, Dottie Mochrie, took 74. Neumann, however, is in contention in spite of a back injury. The Swede said she teed off in some trepidation

after hitting only five practice shots in the last week. Out in 39, she extinguished her fears by emulating Sheehan in playing the next nine holes in 30. She looked particularly sharp on the greens, holing from between seven and 20 feet for her five birdies coming home.

Davies hung a millstone around her neck by taking seven at the 10th, which was

Tottenham feel renewed heat over cup tickets

BY JOHN GOODBODY

Football Club, which was censured by the Football Association for its handling of tickets for the 1991 FA Cup final. was yesterday alleged to have received tickets for this year's final only for them to end in the mossestion of traits.

the possession of touts.

The Liverpool trading standards officers, who estimate that touts made a profit of at least \$138,000 at the 1992 final through the posses of final through the resale of tickets, name eight other clubs and also eight county associations, although they say the organisations may all have have complied fully with the FA's rules and any breach may have occurred further down the supply chain. The FA annually holds its own investigation into the allocation of tickets and will consider the information from the trading standards officers.

The other clubs are: Southampton, Newcastle United, Luton Town, Bristol Rovers, Barnet, Brighton and the two 1992 finalists, Liverpool and Sunderland. However, the trading standards officers paid tribute to Liverpool's efforts to minimise touting involving its 26,000 ticket allocation from the Wembley all-seat capacity of 78,000.

The county football associawere Hertfordshire, Berks and Bucks, Surrey, Kent, Essex, London, Hampshire and Wiltshire.

The latest investigation shows that despite a five-year campaign launched by the Liverpool trading standards officers and action taken by the FA, a serious problem still exists for English football's most attractive annual fixture. Last March, the FA cen-

sured Tottenham for the way it handled the distribution of tickets for the 1991 final and ordered the club to pay €2,500

TOTTENHAM Hotspur Tottenham had not kept prop er records of tickets allocated to persons, other than players and officials, and had failed to reply to correspondence "in a member club of the FA".

Tottenham was warned about its future conduct and ordered to give written assurances about the future handling of tickets. It also recommended that Tottenham's allocation for the final should be cut by 20 per cent over the next three years.

Nobody from the club was available to comment yesterday but an FA spokesman said that the issues were completely different in the two years. This allegation is a serious one and we need to be completely confident in our own minds that something untoward has occurred. By no means every case reported to us in the past has been substantiated."

FA changes, such as giving more tickets to the finalist with the larger following, pre-printing tickets with the source allocated and naming those people punished for mishandling their allocation, have led to a drop in touting of more than 50 per cent since the 1988 campaign began.

This year, the Liverpool trading standards officers once again set up hot-lines for supporters to report incidents of touting and questioned about 3,000 people at the final. They discovers had been recided although the recidents resold, although the real level is believed to be much higher because many supporters were rehiciant to speak out.

Menzies Campbell. Liberal Democrats spokesman on sport, has tried to get through Parliament a private members' bill making it illegal to sell a ticket for more than ten per cent of its face value.

Mansell advised • to show restraint

By NORMAN HOWELL

NIGEL Mansell will have to guard against impatience when he races the fearsome Indy oval circuits next year, according to Emerson Fittipaldi, 45, the Brazilian who has twice won the Formula One world championship and the Indianapolis 500, the most famous oval race of all. "On an oval, even the slightest mistake can be disas-

trous. If the driver lets his rear wheels go into a slide he has no chance at all of rectifying the trajectory," Finipaldi said yesterday in Estoril. What he did not say is that,

unlike in Formula One, there are no run-off areas on the ovals, just concrete walls. "At Indianapolis and in

Michigan your speed never falls below 210 miles an hour." Fittipaldi said. "This creates all sorts of new situations which Nigel may not be familiar with. For example, you cannot drive aggressively because at that speed everyone is totally committed.

"If you cut anybody up, this would result in an accident."

only because of the speed but also because the cars are not built to Formula One

standards. All of this may make life difficult for Mansell, who is an aggressive driver, and one who will not like to hang around, waiting for the learning period to be completed. But Fittipaldi was adamant cautiously at first.

"It may look easy to drive around the ovals," he said. "But after eleven years in Formula One, I had to negotiate a very steep learning curve. It all comes down to the speeds: they are such that it is very hard to feel the limit of the car, as you can do in Formula One. It suddenly just goes away from you."

Carl Haas, who has signed Mansell for his team, will have Mario Andretti on hand to help smooth the way.

Meanwhile there will be only 24 cars on the starting line for the Portuguese Grand Prix on Sunday as Brabham and Fondmetal have not

McMenemy issues note of caution on Gascoigne

PAUL Gascoigne has taken the first of three steps to heaven, according to Lawrie McMenemy, Graham Taylor's assistant, sent here specifically to gauge the progress of England's rehabilitated midfield player, was among those surprised by the impact he made during his unofficial debut for Lazio.

"It reminded me of the old Eddie Cochran song," McMenemy said after watching Gascoigne score an early goal and create the second in the 3-0 win over Tottenham Hotspur. "His second step is to play a proper League game and the third is to play for England."

The timing of those objectives is now occupying the interest of all those connected to Gascoigne's club and of those awaiting an injection of ingenuity into his country's sterile midfield. He promises to reach them both faster than could have been foreseen. It had been thought, for instance, that he could not

realistically be in contention for a place in the England

Stuart Jones reports from Rome on the next step for Paul Gascoigne after the euphoria

of his long-awaited return to action for Lazio

team until the conveniently comfortable World Cup qualifying tie at home to San Marino in February. Taylor said as much yesterday, before hearing McMenemy's report.

Other significant observers were also impressed. Gary Mabbutt, the captain when Gascoigne touched his peak at Tottenham, believes that his former colleague is ready now to resume his international career. "The sooner the better," as he put it, "because his presence would give them the lift they need."

John Sheridan, the Tottenham physiotherapist who nursed Gascoigne through his prolonged recuperation, is convinced that his celebrated patient will be "back to his best or even better within a few months. He is 100 per cent now. All he needs is to play more games".

There lies the key. As there are no reserve team fixtures in Italy, Gascoigne can take part in meaningful action only if he is selected from a party which includes three other foreigners - Doll and Riedle, a pair of German forwards, and Win-

ter, a Dutch midfield player. Under Uefa's regulations. only three can be chosen in the squad and Gascoigne's obvious rival is Winter. Sergio Cragnotti, the Lazio chairman, is reported to have expressed a wish that the Englishman is employed in the next league game, at home to Genoa on Sunday.

"It is a but potato," he said yesterday. "but our manager needs his men for 90 minutes. We'll have to see whether Gascoigne can last that long

[he was withdrawn after 65 on

Wednesday night and we must be careful. Lazio is not

Rumours are already spreading that Doll, for one, is

unhappy about the attention being paid to the new arrival. Another indirect warning was also issued yesterday by a legendary figure in Lazio's history. Georgio Chinaglia, who led them to their one and only championship in 1974.

He suggests that Gascoigne should not be picked on Sunday. "The danger is that the fans will expect too much too soon," he said. "Every Italian team has nasty defenders and it won't be like last night when he wasn't marked. He's the kind of player who

Nevertheless, Chinaglia, who once owned the club, predicts a glorious future for Gascoigne "It is a miracle that he's come back after all that time and played like he did. He has the kind of appeal which might fill the void left by Maradona. He can become

a bigger star than me." Gascoigne's ascent into La-

zio's firmament will depend

only Gascoigne, otherwise on Dino Zoff. "If there was a we'll create jealousies." on Dino Zoff. "If there was a game out here now," Gascoigne said yesterday, nod-ding towards the training pitch, "I would want to play in it. That is all I want to do. Play football."

Zoff is agonising over his choice. He revealed that Gas-

coigne has "a 50-50 chance" of competing against Genoa and, if he does not play then, he is certain to start against Palma the following weekend

Gascoigne: raring to go

rather than in the relatively insignificant Italian Cun-tie against Cesena, a second division side, on October 7. Last night, Zoff said he would make a decision on Gascoigne on Sunday an hour or two before the game.

The England squad is scheduled to assemble for the World Cup qualifying tie against Norway at Wembley the day after the match asgainst Cesena. Taylor has already indicated that Gascoigne will be invited. In that case, the offer will naturally be accepted, as it was in Spain a

"If I don't play for Lazio," Gascoigne said, "I can't play for England. I need to get fitter and I want to be in perfect condition for the game against Norway. I think I will be." It would be characteristic of this unconventional individual to resume his England career at Wembley, where his

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